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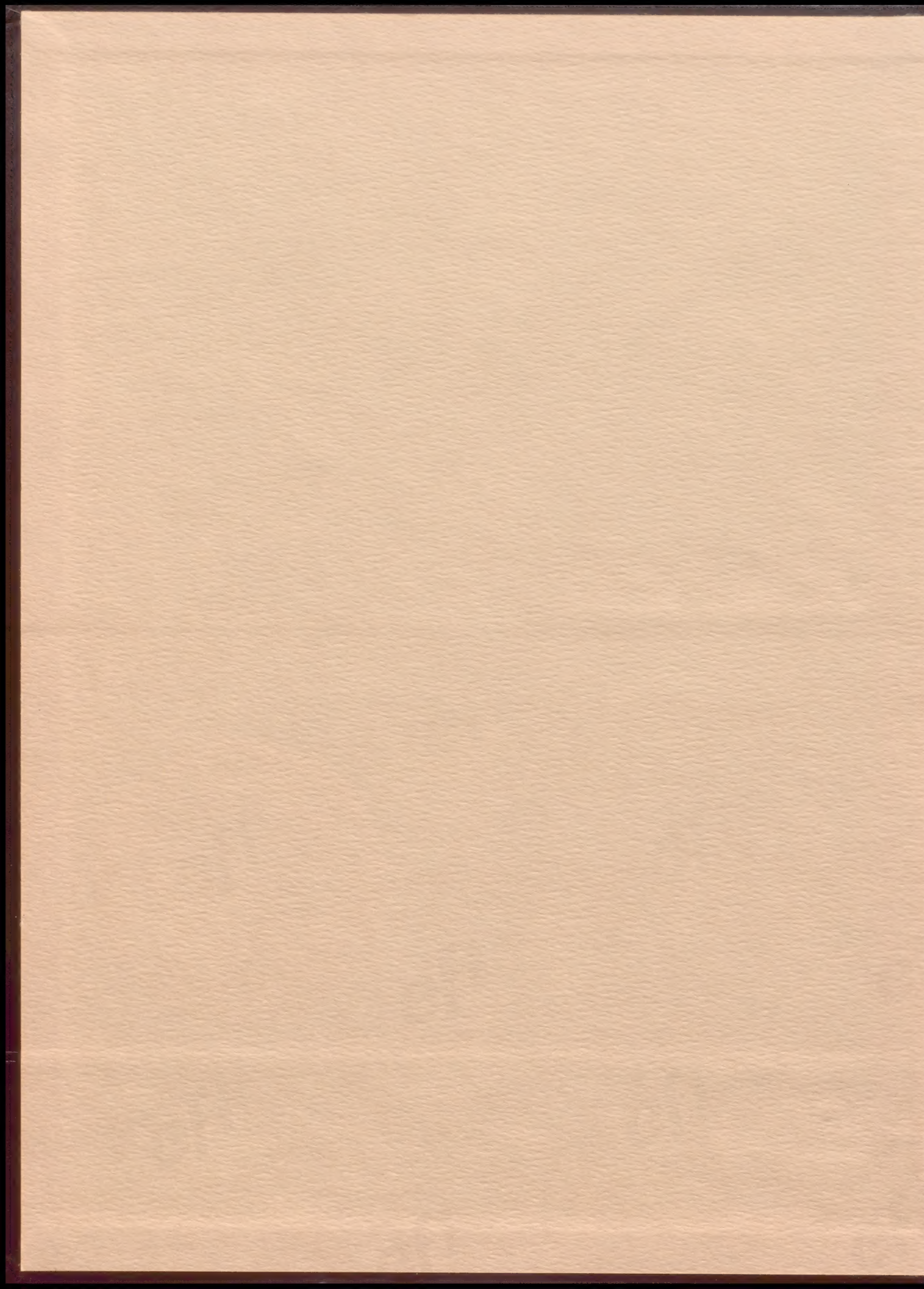
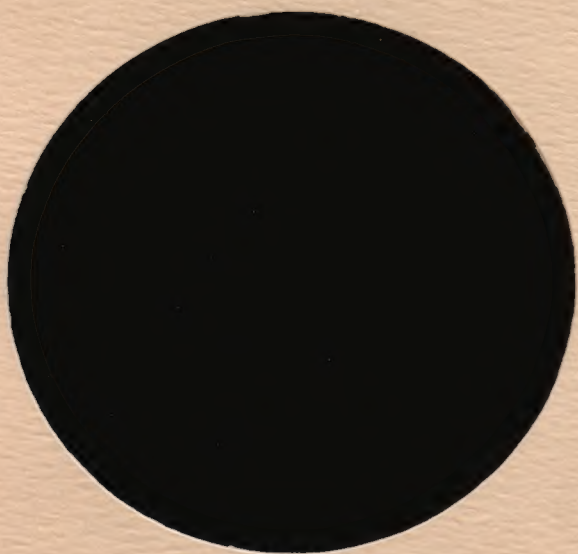




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WE'RE EVEN BETTER THIS YEAR



Since man realized his ability to reason, he has tried to figure out just what sets him apart from his fellow beasts. Some scientists claim that man's ability to use fire, make tools, and think logically are his distinguishing attributes. Others say that man is unique because of the division of his hand into a thumb and four fingers.

We disagree with both of these theories. Although an elephant's sole aim in life is to find enough vegetation to fill his stomach, man's unique characteristic is his obsession to get ahead. This instinct leads men to devise different

the school itself.

Previously we'd been proud of the school, but we'd taken its conveniences for granted. After the fire, everyone was shocked and enraged that anyone could have the nerve to try to destroy the structure.

In addition to the repairs from the fire damage, the school board approved the construction of new varsity locker rooms on the southeast side of the school to ease the strain of both boys' and girls' sports on the existing facilities.

So, if man is obsessed at the thought

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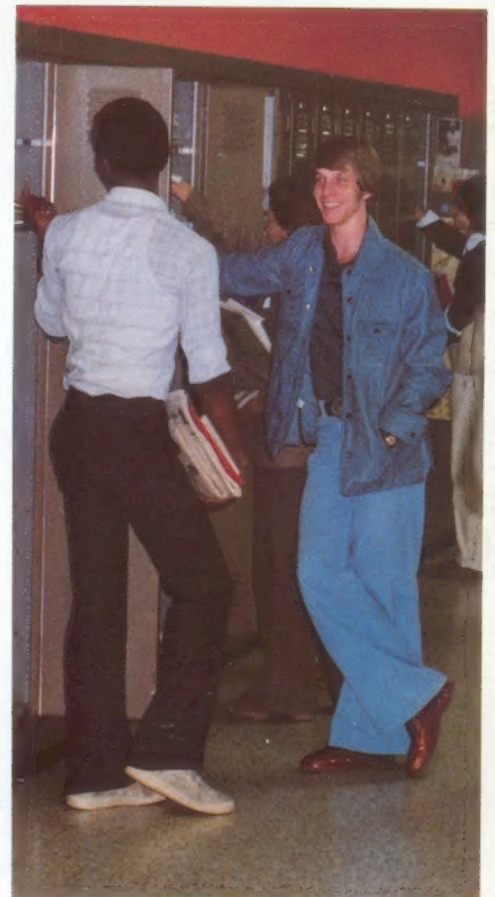
ways to attain their goals — Julius Caesar and Napoleon Bonaparte waged wars, Al Capone organized the Chicago mob, and George Steinbrenner bought the best players of both leagues to make his world champion New York Yankees.

VHS has never improved through wars, organized crime, or world series titles, but, in its own way, tries to get ahead. As with most schools, there is always room for improvement, yet some of our improvements are not always through our own will. Last January's fire caused \$250,000 in damages that had to be repaired, and the administration, students and community hadn't anticipated such major repairs on a six-year-old school building. However, the fire was two-fold in consequence because it caused renovation of the school and a look into its safety features, and also changed the students' outlook toward

of getting ahead, and we are all men (or women as the case may be), then surely we must be trying to get ahead also. We may not have reached our final goal toward self-improvement yet, but we're on our way. We're not yet perfect, as all men strive to be, but we can easily say, **"We're even better this year."**

Mike Cotton and Mark Collier engage in some after school socializing before going home and hitting their homework.

As quarterback Jeff Neeley takes the snap from center Matt Lux fullback Tom Jacobs moves forward for the play.



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After a rousing half-time performance on home turf, members of the B Band rejoice that it's over so they can relax and enjoy the game.

School officials hope the construction of the new varsity locker rooms will ease the strain of year 'round sporting events on the existing facilities.

Although the burnt out area is looking better every day, the administration moved the completion date from September to January.



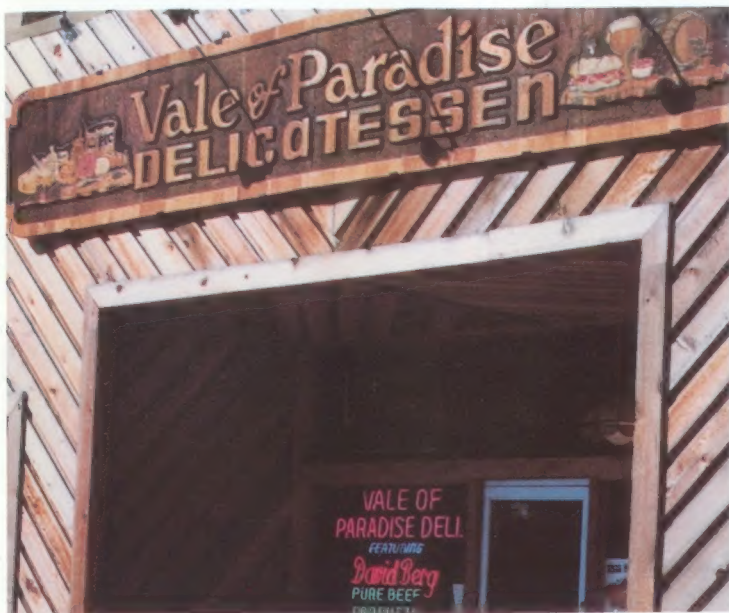
Since their previous facilities were too crowded for the community's needs, the doctors pooled their efforts and built a new Medical Arts Center.

After building several outlets around town, Northern Indiana Bank decided to remodel the home bank and add more drive-up windows.



The only restaurant in town that has a dress code, the White House features elegant dining in the nineteenth century Pappas mansion.

Taking its name from the meaning of the word "Valparaiso", the Vale of Paradise deli offers downtown diners a change of pace.



Long ago, anthropologists decided that early man settled on flatlands near lakes and rivers for transportation and domestic purposes. Centuries later when the Europeans colonized the New World, they situated their first settlements on the Eastern seaboard and from there moved westward.

Valparaiso was one of these westward settlements. Situated between Lake Michigan and the Kankakee River, it was built so it would be accessible to both city and rural people. Since it was located close to the industrial cities of Gary, Hammond, and Chicago, Valpo became the suburban home of many commuters.

As Valpo became the "bedroom community" of these people, its population, as well as its industrial growth expanded. From 1960 to 1970, Valpo's population soared by 31.5%. Some of the increase could be attributed to the

IT'S THE NEW PLACE IN TOWN



construction of Bethlehem Steel's newest mill in Burns Harbor in 1963, but it was also due to those who hated the hassles of big city life. However, in 1970 when Valpo peaked over the 20,000 mark, it became a city and a force to be considered in the minds of businessmen.

Fast-food businesses reached their zenith of popularity in the early '70's and Valpo sported its fair share. In the last year alone, it acquired a second McDonald's, a Wendy's hamburgers, Cal's Roast Beef, Arthur Treacher's and Long John Silver's. For those who complained of the lack of more posh establishments, the White House and Janiro's were two new restaurants that offered elegant, leisurely dining.

By the mid '70's Valpo passed the 25,000 mark and turned its attentions to the problems of its elderly and needy. The city set aside the old Banta school as the Banta Senior Citizen Center. The government also built housing on the north side for those with limited or low income.

Since its other outlet was located on the north side of the city, McDonald's added another outlet to accommodate the city's growing south side.

All-in-one, and some for all

When man stopped being a gatherer and became a buyer, he sought ways to make his job easier. After all, going all over town to buy, life's little necessities was a waste of time that could be better spent elsewhere. So, he thought up the idea of a general store where he could buy everything he needed such as food for the winter, feed for his animals, and sweets for the kids. However, it wasn't long before the general store died out and was replaced by the five and dime. Since the devaluation of the dollar made it impossible to buy anything that cheaply, the dime store also became a thing of the past.

Convenience shopping wasn't at its best until man thought of a shopping mall. His first consideration in the idea of a mall was man's need for a one-stop shopping place. If he could buy it all at one place, he'd save his nerves from the rigors of heavy in-traffic driving and save some money instead of shelling it out for gas bills.

Another plus for the shopping mall was the fact that it would offer variety in the types of stores it contained. Customers could comparison

shop and save money by walking from store to store and buying the cheaper item instead of driving the distance and buying extra gas. Also, the stores could offer a wide variety of colors and styles for the conscientious consumer.

Malls could also vary according to size and shape. Although some people feel one can't judge a book by its cover, many customers, realizing that different corporations build different malls, would be eager to test out the different malls in their "neighborhood."

For those people such as housewives and teenagers, who often look for ways to kill a day, the malls would represent an oasis of things to do without spending a lot of money. Besides serving as a shopping center, the malls could serve as places for cultural events. With the increased interest in culture and the arts, ethnic festivals art shows, and holiday presentations could be held in a central auditorium area of the mall.

So man got busy and built his malls, and each was bigger and offered more variety to the shopper. He was proud of his malls until he received complaints from shoppers that there were so many to choose from, they couldn't decide which one to visit — West Lake or Century Mall, Southlake or Marquette, River Oaks or Water Tower, ...



For the fashion conscious of Chicago, Water Tower Place is the ultimate for designs by Halston and Calvin Klein.

One of the first enclosed malls in the area, Marquette Mall now takes second place behind Southlake as the most popular mall.



Northwest Indiana's largest shopping center, Southlake Mall features over 130 stores and a central hall where the Symphony Ball is held.

Although most shoppers can't afford its haute couture, they still like to visit Chicago's Water Tower Place to browse in its elegance.



The planners of the County Seat Mall had to obtain permission from County Seat Jeans to use its copyrighted name for their complex.

Shaped like a donut because its stores encircle a center open-air court, River Oaks holds the distinction of being the first mall in this area.





Acculturation is a fancy word that means "the learning of one's own culture." However, anthropologists just recently discovered that within one culture there were several different divisions such as the infant, adolescent, and the adult. Since the word "adolescent" had such a bad connotation, psychologists changed its label heading to "high school student" when they were discussing those of the younger generation.

In their analysis of the high school students, the psychologists looked at the average day of the average student. After arriving at school on the bus, by bicycle, or by car between 7:30 and 8:00, the student sat through six hours of classes ranging from history to English grammar. After allotting half an hour

LATE NITE PASSES FOLLOW 6HR. HASSES



Although the cold weather isn't much to cheer about, Viking fans still turn out in hopes of seeing a victory.

Most movie-going students check out the cinemas in Michigan City for a better variety of current popular films.

for the student to cram in the food he bought in the cafeteria (or mess hall as it was affectionately known) the psychologists knew all there was to know of the average day in the life of a high school student. They anxiously checked to see if there was any excitement allowed the student during his school years.

The first thing they found appeared in the convocations that the administration scheduled intermittently throughout the school year. These convocations varied in content from administrative sessions to entertaining performances by theatre groups from Purdue and other universities. One professional group presented Mark Twain's satire on the garden of Eden, "The Diary of Adam and Eve."

After the Friday night football and basketball games, the students enjoyed sock hops sponsored by clubs such as VICA. Featuring area bands that were popular, the sock hops offered students a inexpensive way to enjoy a dance.

The traditional high school dances such as Homecoming and Christmas still offered those students who wanted a chance to dress up.

With a major dance scheduled every season, there were plenty of opportunities for an expensive night on the town.



After a day crammed with classes and homework, Rob Odell boards a bus headed for home.

Worn out from the strain of dancing all evening, tired Homecoming couples relax and rest their sore feet.



Varsity cheerleader Cyndi Huseman braves the cold to help raise Viking spirit to a high pitch.

Some students drive cars to school, but many pedal their bikes to exercise and conserve money.

Summer brightens life in the FAST LANE

Demonstrating his prowess in skateboarding, John Hay performs a handstand on an empty street.



Since the law declared that teenagers, along with other children of school age, must go to school nine months out of the year, the tradition has been for students to shed their books around the first of June and forget about them until the end of August. Consequently, during the summer, ex-students looked for fun things to do with their free time.

On the list of outside activities, summer just wouldn't have been complete without a trip to the Dunes.

Since bronze skin was the "in" thing, everyone combined sun and fun on the shores of Lake Michigan.

Other students combined fun with music as they visited Chicago to hear concerts at Soldier Field and Chicago Stadium. Some of the bands that blew into the windy city for performances included the Eagles, the Rolling Stones, and the Electric Light Orchestra.

While their friends were hitting the beaches and the concerts, students

boarded a plane headed for England's Cambridge University. During this chance of a lifetime visit to one of the world's most revered institutions, they studied British literature, history, and art, while at the same time receiving credit from VHS for the equivalent of one nine weeks English course. After they completed their studies, the students visited Stratford, London, Paris, and Geneva before they had to return to the United States.



Temporarily breaking away from their summer studies at Cambridge University, Pia Hiller, Sara Ramirez, Nancy Oliver, Pat Tudor, Laurie Lemmons, Dan Sturdevant, Anne Gilmore, Roger Dodrill, and Mrs. Vela Johnson enjoy a day at Charles I summer palace, Audley End.

Although driving a car is a faster way to get around, Kelley Welch rides her bike in hopes of getting a suntan and some exercise.

"The New Look"



Escorted by Dennis Novak, Donna Raymond takes her first parade lap as the 1978 Homecoming Queen.

As the band entered the field for homecoming, anxious onlookers searched the track for sign of the golf carts that would carry the candidates to the field. They never appeared however, because Pep Club chose to phase them out in favor of a new look.

Arriving in a 1958 Buick convertible chauffeured by its owner, Mr. Norm Jacobs, were candidates, Linda Ahlbrand, Molly Dougherty, Tina Johnson, Nancy Oliver, Barb Raber, and Donna Raymond. The girls, clothed in the latest in street attire

instead of the traditional formals, observed the first half of the game with their escorts from the sidelines.

At the half, the court crossed the field down the fifty-yard line under the glow of the lights. As the B Band played in the background, the biography of each girl was read, and the Pep Club officers had the honor of crowning Queen Donna Raymond and Princess Tina Johnson. As the dark blue convertible reappeared, Donna, wearing her crown and roses, took her seat for the parade lap around the track.

Saturday evening, court members joined 170 couples aboard ship for a "Moonlight Cruise," where along with other passengers, they danced to the music of "Indiana Bus Ride." Pep Club members provided the decorations for the annual affair and fund raiser.

Marissa Ellis, 1977 Homecoming Queen, was on deck to pass her crown to her successor during the coronation with highlighted Homecoming 1978.



Queen Donna Raymond receives a congratulatory hug from court members Linda Ahlbrand after being crowned.

Along with court members Molly Dougherty, Barb Raber, Nancy Oliver and Linda Ahlbrand, Queen Donna Raymond and Princess Tina Johnson view the post-coronation dance from the "royal box."

Diane Lafferty, Jeff Neely, and Rob Daniel gather for refreshments around the punch fountain at the semi-formal Homecoming dance.

Playing "March of the Scaffold," the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra performs a special concert for VHS music students.



Convos bring a 'touch of class'

"Free Fair's" lead singer entertains the student body in the first convocation of the year.

Ruth Lohmeyer, Eric Brant, and Mr. Mark Watts help the rock group "Free Fair" present their rendition of "Star Wars."



As the last act of Folk Pop Convo, John Kelley, Mark Johansen and Caroline Seeber sing their rendition of Manilow's "Why Don't We Live Together."

While he impersonates comedian Steve Martin, senior Rich Eagen introduces the next act.



Where could a person listen to the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, Malcom X Jazz Band, watch the Texas Repertory Theater's presentation of "The Diary of Adam and Eve," and hear Ray Moss, a graduate of VHS, do his impression of Elvis? No, not the Arie Crown Theater in Chicago, but VHS. Surprised, right? The convocations and concerts featured at the high school were presented to introduce us to culture and enhance our appreciation

of the arts.

Through a series of consultations between Principal Johnson, Mr. Glen Ellis, convocation chairman, and a student committee comprised of members Bekki Evans, Jo Beth Madsen, and Mike Malackowski, the performers at the concerts and convos were chosen. The student committee proved beneficial to the administration because it offered the students' point of view on the programs we would like to see. This year's convo-

cations were more youth-oriented so that the ordinary VHS student could relate to and enjoy them.

Mr. Ellis secured reservations for various groups by getting in touch with Valparaiso University and the Community Concerts Association. The student committee and Mr. Ellis put their heads together, and after several meetings had the whole year planned with special events.

Cast 'Climbs Every Mountain'

The Von Trapp children (Kristi Hager, Dave Goodrich, Andrea Granberry, Marliese Henrichs, Barb Raber, Bill Walters, Jackie Moore) learn the fundamentals of singing from their governess Maria.

Caught in clothes made of gaudy curtains, the children are reprimanded by their father.



The alluring Elsa (Lisa Benda) sings to the captain, (John Kelley) telling of the life they will share after marriage.

Captain Von Trapp and his family sing "Edelweiss" shortly before their forced departure from Austria.



"Alright, now everyone **concentrate!** Remember that opening night, November 17, is only a week away."

"Gretyl and Captain — that was very good that time. Try to remember what you just did when you're up there Friday night."

"Nuns — you must learn your parts and don't talk when you're on stage."

If you had attended one of the nightly rehearsals, you would have realized how much work, concentration, and talent went into the production of the "Sound of Music."

Helping each other through times of depression, fatigue, and times of just not feeling well, the cast became very close. When asked why she chose the "Sound of Music," director Alice Noble replied, "I liked the show, it didn't require a large chorus and it's a good crowd-drawer."

Besides chickenpox, flu, and exhaustion, the only other major problem involved with the musical was casting the major parts. Through four days of try-outs, five days of callbacks, and 125 people who auditioned, 47 students provided the

right combination for the parts.

Since the "Sound of Music" was such a large production, a sum in the area of \$3,000 was spent on sets and costumes. Set design took patience and dedication since the sets were more detailed, intricate and realistic for this fall's musical. Costumes also posed a problem, since each of Captain Von Trapp's children had about four costumes, however, most of the costumes were made by parents and the costume committee.



Max (Mark Johansen) listens patiently as Elsa plots to get the captain to propose.

The Mother Abbess (Anna Meece) and the sisters (Merribeth Hall, Joy Christiansen, and JoBeth Madsen) discuss the problem they call Maria.

The mischievous Maria (Katie Nagel) steals away from the abbey to enjoy the peace of Alps.

Dances Call Strike on Cabin Fever



Heidi Hunsberger and Tom McFadden take a closer look at the massive teddy bear constructed by members of the Student Council for the Christmas Dance.

Surprised to be chosen raffle king and queen of the Christmas dance, seniors Matt Lux and Barb Raber accept their gifts from the student council.



"Cabin Fever" swept the Midwest this winter and teenagers were no exception. They needed a reason to dress-up and get out of the house. In early December the Student Council provided students the opportunity to spend "An Evening in Santa's Workshop." Christmas lights, gauze and artificial fog gave the illusion of a light winter snow. Raggedy Ann and Andy lined the walls adding to the fantasy atmosphere while the music of "Midwest Transit" entertained the 110 couples that attended the

dance.

Two months and eight feet of snow later the girls had the chance to take the guy of their choice to the annual V-Teen's King of Hearts Dance. Striking police may have kept the "Mardi Gras" from New Orleans but hard working V-Teen members made sure that VHS students could celebrate in spite of the Midwestern winter. The service club brought a bit of spring to the south balcony with its "Come to the Mardi Gras" theme.

Brightly colored confetti and streamers greeted the incoming couples. The dance floor resembled a blossoming garden. Guests had the option of lounging on wrought iron patio furniture or dancing to the music of "Aris." The festivities quieted when V-Teen President Debbie Marasco crowned King Gary Krueger and Prince Tim Balko. Court members Dave Lebryk, Steve Carichoff and Brad Blastick were escorted to the throne by club officers.



Prior to the dance, Kristine Hall, daughter of V-Teens sponsor Mrs. Elizabeth Hall, gives dance bids to King of Hearts Gary Krueger and his date, graduate Robin Rumford.

After the coronation, seniors Steve Carichoff, Dave Lebryk, King Gary Krueger, Prince Tim Balko, and Brad Blastick hold court at the royal throne.



While waiting for the King Of Hearts dancing to resume, graduate Brian Hittenger, Shellie Eaton, Stephanie Verde and Scott Morrisson take a break.

Santa Claus (Mr. Sid Reggie) and his elf (Mr. Skip Bird) don their seasonal costumes once more for their traditional appearance at the Christmas dance.

John Kelley "runs the music through" Lisa Benda in their dramatic interpretation of the song "The Wiz."

Mother Lode band members borrow a George Benson instrumental, "Breezin'", to take April Antics audiences to a sunny beach in Tahiti. Composing the band are Chris Athanson, Tom Uban, King Dahl, Ross Hubbel, and Dave Scott.

Attempting to mystify his audience, junior Dave Clauss performs his acts of magic.



Game show syndrome hits VHS



Seniors Rich Eagen, Anna Meece, Mark Johansen, and Sonia Sison join in harmony for "Java Jive," a song made popular by Manhattan Transfer.

Their attention fixed to the screen, Linda Bell, Brian McKee, Sheila Barker, and Harry Treadway are "At the Movies."

"Sweet Charity" sets the pace for senior Rickee Farrell's jazz and acrobatic routine.



"Our next contestant is Gertrude Schlotz. Come on down!"

"Gertrude, you have your choice of curtain no. 1, no. 2, or this box Dave is now bringing down the aisle."

"Oh, Gees! This is such a hard decision. I don't know what to do."

"Well if you're undecided about that, you can have one of those

three boxes, the Java Coffee, Magic Laundry Soap, or the Yuckles candy."

Famed game show host, "Shorty" Stark, brought his "64¢ Question" to Valparaiso High School for two nights, April 6 and 7. The top rated "64¢ Question" was featured in "Games of Skill or Chance," April Antics 1979.

In addition to a visit from a kazoo band and puppets, the year's production boasted such acts as two baby sisters singing, a skit performed by the group Ah-ha, a magician, folk singers, a jazz-acrobatic routine, and musical excerpts from the Wiz. Effort, time, and patience were the main ingredients to the annual display of VHS students' talent.

Stars set scene for romance



Merribeth Hall reaches to the heavens to snatch a memento of her senior prom.

Sampling the fare at the Junior parent sponsored Post Prom party are sophomore Lisa Kyes and senior Bill Kerlin.

Somewhat restrained by their formal wear, couples captured the mood set by the music of "Reborn" in their dancing.



Ten years ago, American youth was spaced out on drugs and acid rock. Now, a decade later, American teenagers are still spaced out, but their tastes have ranged to the other end of the spectrum. In today's modern society, the fantasy world of outer space and intergalactic funk have replaced the previous era of drugs and weird music. Buck Rogers, Superman, and the crew from Battlestar Galactica have all created a new image of the heavens in the minds of millions of movie-goers.

The junior class preferred to go

with the romantic theme of a "Mystical Heaven" and decorated the main gym floor with stars, angel-hair, a terrace, and a spiral staircase. "Reborn" entertained the 243 couples who attended the celestial extravaganza.

Class officer elections were held earlier this year, so that the new junior class officers could serve at Prom, and see how procedures were handled. Although it earned money through bake sales and the work day, the Junior Class ran into money problems when its car wash was

rained out twice.

At 11:30, students went to the Valparaiso University Student Union where the junior parents hosted the traditional post prom party, which lasted through the wee hours of the morning. Prom-goers could dance the night away in the "Club 79" or enjoy a quieter atmosphere in the "Speakeasy." A graphologist and an astronomer were on hand, and bowling and pinball were some of the activities planned for the evening.



Unable to find two chairs in the crowded seating area, seniors Jane Herreha and Greg Beach "double up" during a band break at Prom.

Parading before parents and other onlookers, prom-goers wind around the staircase to the heavens for the Grand March.

Loosening up at Post Prom after a long evening of dancing, senior Jan Chrustowski and her date, Merrillville senior Ken Dymand, look more comfortable leaving "Club 79" with tie and shoes in hand.



One of the more severely damaged rooms at Washington Township School was the principal's office, where vandals ransacked the desk, strewing its contents throughout the room, and overturned furniture.

In recognition of their creativity, the Art Department displayed students' work in the halls, but after several of the creations were disfigured, curtailed its policy. This painting donated by a graduate, was slashed while hanging in the main hallway.



Taxpayers stew. vandals still brew

They never thought it would happen in Valparaiso. Secure behind the suburban reputation of Porter County, most citizens felt they were safe from the destruction typical of the Gary and Chicago schools.

It took the fire that gutted four rooms at VHS to awaken the community to the fact that it was not immune. Isolated vandalism incidents did not mean too much until the reports came more frequently and the damages increased.

Grissom Middle School in Portage suffered numerous incidents of vandalism, but the most serious occurred last year when vandals ransacked faculty desks and threw cans of paint on the walls. Later captured by police, the courts convicted and sentenced the culprits to help pay for the damage.

Although a small system, Washington Township School encountered damages from several break-ins. In December, however, a group broke in and caused an estimated \$11,180 in damages. In addition to breaking five typewriters, spraying fire extin-

guishers, ransacking the principal's office and severely damaging the school's new public address system, the vandals also tampered with the blueprints of a new addition. To aid in the investigation, student committees were formed as liaison with the police, and the school hired a night janitor.

Shocked at the damage sustained by VHS, a group of people formed the Citizens Against Vandalism to Schools Committee. After its formation in October, it offered a \$1000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the VHS arsonist. The committee hoped its action would encourage taxpayers that something was being done to combat vandalism, and to discourage vandals by informing them of the public's determination against them. Civic and business leaders who set up the reward of \$25 per \$1000 damage, also hoped that ultimately school vandalism will decrease along with the cost of maintenance and insurance premiums.



The vandals who struck at Washington Township High School gained entrance to the principal's office by breaking the glass on the door. Once inside they emptied drawers onto the floor and caused \$300 in damage to the school's new public address system.

While waiting for a movie screen to be installed in her renovated classroom during second semester, Mrs. Lori Alt used a portable screen from the Learning Center. After the weekend break, she returned to find the screen slashed.



Diplomas set seniors "free at last"



Under the glaring light of the artificial night lighting, in the space of a few seconds each senior walked across the stage, received his diploma, shook hands with Mr. Johnson and found himself a full fledged graduate of Valparaiso High School.

With instructions to walk slowly and keep four feet away from the person in front of them, the seniors file to their seats to the familiar strains of "Pomp and Circumstance."



When a senior stops to think that by the time he graduates from high school he will have spent 2160 days in school, labored over 2000 hours of homework, and bought and consumed \$1620 worth of school lunches, it comes to no surprise that he is counting the days until he finally breaks loose from high school.

After sitting through two days of exams in the stifling atmosphere of Lecture A, and another week killing time by basking in the sun and sleeping late, the days finally rolled around to May 30, when 456 seniors

lined up along the south end of the tennis courts to begin their final march to the football field. When "Pomp and Circumstance" was over, Bekki Evans and Mary Greenawald gave the valedictory and salutatory addresses. After the invocation, Mr. Don Dick, director of Guidance, Principal Garth Johnson, and Senior Class President Pat Tudor stepped to the podium and dispensed the long sought after diplomas to each senior.

The senior party at the V.U. Union was the final stopping place after

commencement and also the last time the class of '79 had a chance to be together as one unit. Amid the music provided by the Alfred Packer Band, seniors reminisced and laughed over the fun aspects of high school, such as Sophomore Kill Day and Senior Skip Day, and worried over the next year to come — whether they would be able to survive the rigors of college or be able to get a job in the nation's times of inflation and high unemployment.



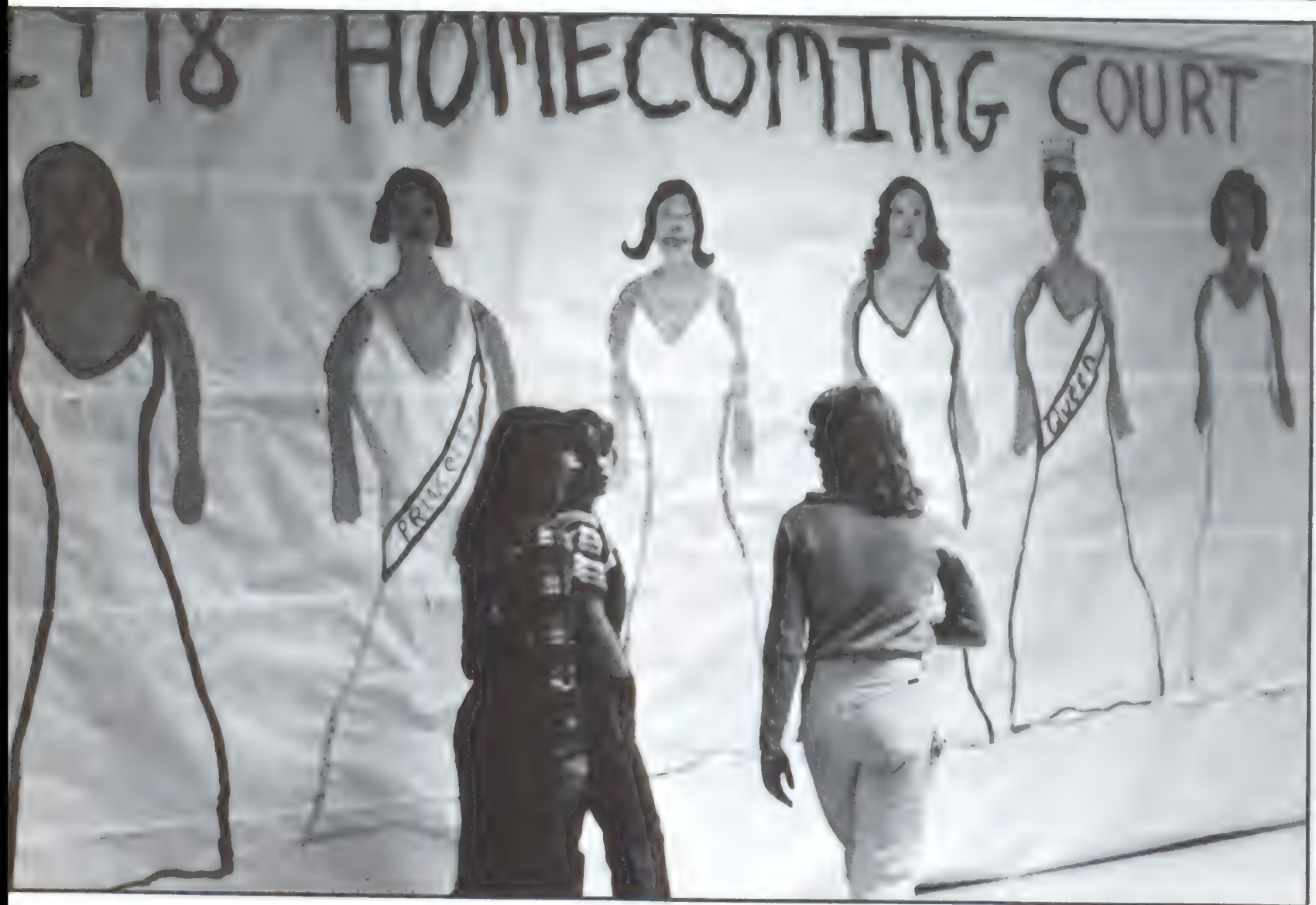
Delivering her valedictory address with a humorous tone, Bekki Evans emancipates the Senior Class from the "bondage" of high school.

Although commencement is supposed to be a solemn occasion, Caroline Bihlman happily shows off her long awaited diploma, as Julie Bickel smiles with approval.

Senior Rich Eagen and his date junior Jeanette Olszewski enjoy a quiet moment at the V-Teens annual King of Hearts Dance.

While the date for Homecoming voting draws near, Kim Micchichi, Katie Robinson, and Lisa Smith discuss their candidate for queen.

During FEC's annual May weekend, German exchange student Andrea Held has the opportunity to visit with a Swedish student.





When man first appeared on earth, he was a solitary figure who ventured out only to find food and to settle territorial squabbles. Then he realized the principle of collective security and formed tribes that made life a little easier.

It took a long time, but gradually, students who wanted something done or just wanted to do something, banded together and formed clubs. These clubs met after school and discussed ways of helping the administration solve problems, such as the Student Faculty Senate, places to go to sample foreign culture, as in Foreign Exchange, and ways to boost spirit, in the form of Pep Club.

Troubles sprung up between the clubs, however, and changes began to take place. Foreign Language Club, which was similar to Foreign Exchange suffered from a bad case of club overlapping and student apathy. Despite a last ditch attempt to save itself by writing a formal constitution, it finally disbanded after three years of prolonged death throes.

Pep Club, long considered the invincible organization in the club family, also suffered from a lack of adrenalin in the bloodstreams of its members and the student body. At

Flower Day is not only the National Honor Society's major fund-raiser, it also breaks up the monotony in Michelle Hazlett's Spanish class.

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During the Pep Club's annual Hall Decorating Contest, sophomores, juniors, and seniors vie for the prize of best spirit design.

times, as few as six people showed up at meetings, and this handful of people took on the gargantuan task of organizing the Homecoming Dance, the club's major fund raiser.

It would be an overstatement to say that clubs are on the way out. The problem is that many of them have the same purpose and ideals, consequently, students join one of the similar clubs and the others suffer. Some sponsors have suggested that the overlapped clubs consolidate and combine their membership. Others have just said that the first club organized should remain and the others dissolve.



Doing her part to help the needy, Kim Nuppenau takes donations for the Salvation Army at K-Mart.

Junior Kim Winters takes a moment off from her sign painting to raise her own spirits with a lollipop.

Pep Club Officers: Secretary/Treasurer Jamie Hreha, Vice-President Alison Rush, President Cindy Reavis.





"Pep Club promotes spirit and generates excitement"

Rain or shine, clear skies or cloudy, a winning season or a losing one, wherever a VHS sporting

event is being held, loyal fans will be around to cheer on their favorite teams.

VHS Students support their athletes with spirit and loyalty no matter what the circumstances. Besides the numerous interscholastic sporting events that VHS has to offer, two clubs are available to inspire athletic-minded students — Pep Club and FCA.

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) is a national organization whose Valpo chapter consists of about 45 members. While the organization has been in existence for about 25 years, the FCA was only started at VHS three years ago by Coach Collins. The club's officers were: President Mike Smith, Vice-President Gary Krueger, Secretary Andy Eldridge, and Treasurer Dennis Dommer.

FCA met every other week in a member's home, which Coach Collins thought made for a more relaxed atmosphere. FCA was in charge of such activities as a chili supper, the annual basketball marathon, and a pancake breakfast. They also send members each year to a National Conference. The purpose of the conference is to get Christian athletes from all over the United States to meet and enjoy competing

against one another athletically. Last year FCA members Mike Smith, Tim Deiotte, and Brad Blastic attended the conference.

While FCA was an organization for athletes, Pep Club's main objective was to promote spirit and support for the school's teams. The club was one of the largest, having about 120 members. The officers were President Cindy Reavis, Vice-President Alison Rush, and Secretary/Treasurer Jamie Hreha.

The club sponsored car washes, pep sessions, a powder puff football game, and Spirit Week, but their main activity is the Homecoming Festivities. President Cindy Reavis also introduced such new ideas as a fashion show, and new money raisers that also help to promote spirit such as the selling of fan buttons. A new idea that Pep Club also put forth this year was the sale of post cards that were attached to helium balloons, which were then released at a football game and hopefully sent back to Valpo by the finder. The person whose balloon traveled the farthest wins \$25.

Cindy felt that the main force of Pep Club laid with sponsor Mrs. Anne Baker. "She's full of ideas and will do anything to help us, but leaves the final decisions for us to make."



During FCA's 30-hour fund-raising basketball marathon, members were permitted to rest for one hour after each hour on the court.

Maintaining the tradition of decorating a player's locker before a big game, Juniors Julie Wiencken and Lori Armstrong show off their artwork.





Foreign Exchange Club members Eric Charon, Kathy Garrett and Joey Bamesberger organize the food table for the annual Foreign Feast.

SUMMER EXCHANGE STUDENTS — Front Row: Kim Lovett, Joey Bamesberger, Denise Kendrick, Sherry Dobbins, Sadonna Swann, Agatha Hason, Laura Ventura, Jeff Gardin. **Second Row:** Steve Ku, Carolyn Seeber, Kim Arnett, Tom McFadden. **Back Row:** Eric Charon, David Inches, Steve Ferklic, David Ku, Dave Koenig.





"Our Goal Is International"

"See the World!" "Travel!" "Meet new people!" Slogans like these are used every day to entice people to travel. Few people ever get to experience life in a foreign country, and even fewer travel in their youth. Through Foreign Exchange Club the opportunity to travel is available for any eligible student.



Foreign Exchange Club is the largest club at VHS, having 220 members. The organization was sponsored by Mr. Wes Maiers and co-sponsored by Miss Margaret Phillips, Miss Nancy Hutton, and Miss Marcia Futter. The club's purpose is to promote international understanding through sponsoring exchange students both going to foreign countries and coming to Valpo.

Nineteen VHS students participated in the exchange program during the summer. Each student went through a series of steps to become a part of this program. First he applied and gave a list of personal references. A local team of sponsors sorted through the applications and interviewed hopeful candidates. The interviewers chose the students on the basis of adaptability, personality, and maturity. For those students who were unable to meet all the expenses, local merchants and organizations offered scholarships.

FEC met monthly, with each meeting devoted to a foreign country. The club planned activities centering around the country, its customs, food, and games. FEC's projects included Christmas shopping in Chicago, a trip to see "Beatlemania," the monthly movie for the student body, and an International Exchange Week.



FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS — Front Row: Kunio Kassahara, Anadir da Cunha. **Back Row:** Andres Munoz, Andrea Held.

Discussing similarities and differences between the United States and other countries. Mark Feldman, Jeanette Dupes and Jeff Hicks flip through foreign magazines.

EXECUTIVE BOARD AND SPONSORS — Front Row: Miss Phillips, Colleen Sanford, Sherry Dobbins, Sadonna Swann, Lisa Schantz, Marlise Hendrichs, Margaret Kendall, Paul Smith. **Back Row:** Mr. Maiers, Brad Lauman, Steve Ferklic, Jeff Hicks, John Steves, Brian Sinclair.



"Creativity, Improvisation Are Keys To Jazz Ensemble"

Do you remember the smash hit from the summer of '78, "Feels So Good" by the jazz musician Chuck Mangione? Or perhaps the great singles "On Broadway" or "This Masquerade" by George Benson? These songs were all top ten hits on the popular charts, but actually they are all jazz numbers performed by current jazz musicians. But at VHS, the Jazz Ensemble plays all facets of music, ranging from big band sounds to the present day modern day jazz.

By combining creativity and improvisation, 25 members created a sound unique to all other bands at VHS. They performed at various contests and concerts in Indiana, and they also competed at the NISBOVA contest, where they ranked high in area bands. These concerts included a dance held at the VU Student Union for the public, and the Elmhurst Jazz Festival.

Members of the Jazz Ensemble had to be members of the regular concert band in order to audition for the Ensemble. Because practices were held at night, members had to show the interest to attend. But, because of this interest, they were able to earn points toward their band letters.

Another musical group that met after school or at night was the Carousels. A seven member group choir, the Carousels sang pop music that the members choreographed. To qualify, the girls also had to be members of the regular choir.



During a public dance at the VU Student Union, Mr. Daniel Pritchett directs the Jazz Ensemble.

JAZZ ENSEMBLE — Front Row: Rick Hill, Don Rhynard, Tom Uban, Joe Bondi. **Second Row:** Jan Chrustowski, Shannon Swann, Nick Reynolds, David Renshaw, Mike Stavreff, Jackie Moore, Dave Robinson. **Third Row:** Jeff Hicks, Ken Luebke, Ross Hubbell, John Kelley, Bill Kerlin, Angie Czekaj, Chris Athenson. **Back Row:** Saldonna Swann, Keith Sanford, Katie Nagel, Jo Beth Madsen.

Two-year Jazz Band member Tom Uban, demonstrates his versatility at the VU dance for the public, held by the VHS Jazz Ensemble.





CAROUSELS — Front Row: Debbie Buerlhe, Linda Bell, Rhonda Stedman. **Back Row:** Diane Ferklic, Cara Coulter, Polly Powers.

Keeping the tradition of the Big Band Era
Nick Reynolds performs at the VU dance,
which was sponsored by the Jazz Ensemble.



Unwinding a roll of crepe paper, Sue Niland prepares to decorate the entryway for the King of Hearts dance.



V-Teens Officers: Connie Martin, treasurer; Pam Heiner, publicity chairman; Mary Karcher, vice-president; Michelle Fauser, secretary; Debbie Marasco, president; Kim Simon, program chairman.

V-Teens' member Anna Meece samples the food at the club's pizza Party.





"We're making V-Teens viable"

In this age of indifference, and selfishness, few people go out of their way to help their fellowman. Fortunately, there are exceptions, for example, the two service organizations at VHS, Yarc and V-teens.

V-teens is a club formed to help the community and the school. It sponsored such programs as bringing Thanksgiving dinners to needy families, Christmas caroling at the Porter County Home, and a Halloween party for the kids at the Porter Memorial Hospital. At school, it organized the King of Hearts Dance, an annual affair that allows it to donate money to the American Heart Fund.

Under Mrs. Liz Hall's direction, as the new sponsor of the club, V-teen's



constitution was rewritten opening membership to boys. Also, the office of Publicity Chairman was created to inform the public of V-teen's various activities throughout the community.

Mrs. Hall's long-range goals include the club's being of more service to the school and making V-teens a more viable club.

YARC, or the Youth Association for Retarded Citizens, was formed to be of assistance to the local branch of the Association for Retarded Citizens. Miss Michelle Dailey, and Miss Libby Gurthet took on the responsibilities of YARC. Being new at sponsoring a club, they found the experience both enjoyable and challenging.

YARC held a Christmas dance for the members of YARC, and also helped out at the Winter and Summer Special Olympics.

Senior Anna Meece makes final dance preparations as she secures wall murals of the King of Hearts court.

YARC — Front Row: Jeanette Olszewski, Linda Bell, Ann Lyons. **Second Row:** Steve Wilson, Miss Libby Gurthet, Miss Michelle Dailey, Rich Eagen. **Third Row:** Stephanie Verde, Kelley Welch, Shelley Eaton, Bonnie Hurst, Judy Rush. **Back Row:** Jackie Mathieu, Patty Jones.



Drama Club lets you act out your dreams"



Bill Murray, Jane Curtin, and John Belushi are names many students are familiar with, because their variety show is popular, and also because talented performers such as TV celebrities are often idolized by their fans. But, if you were looking for talent and enthusiasm, you could have stopped when you came to the VHS drama Club.

The Not Ready for Prime Time Players may have to take a step back to make room for the Drama Club. Not only does Drama Club supply actors and actresses, but also set constructors, public relations persons, and even costume designers. The club which boasted more than 50 members, also sponsored a play that is fully directed by its members.

Three productions were sponsored by Drama Club, including the fall musical, "The Sound of Music", a children's play in the winter, and April Antics. Al-

though anyone could try out for parts in these productions, Drama Club made the sets, designed the costumes, and handled the publicity. Sponsor Mrs. Alice Noble supervised all activities, and served as coordinator between the club and the administration.

Different aspects of putting on a production such as building a set, making costumes, or acting were areas in which members gained experience in the world of theater. Members were free to choose the area they wished to work on; however, rule changes made it mandatory for each member to work on at least one production.

Behind the Scenes, the Sound and Light Crew, sponsored by Mr. Dave Kenning, produced all the special effects for every production. The eight man crew mastered various lighting and sound techniques in coordination with the Drama Club. Members had to possess a desire to learn, and some amount of talent in operating the auditorium's technical equipment.



Sound and Light crewman Danny Hayes monitors the auditorium controls during lighting adjustments.

Pursuing an interest in electronics, senior Eric Bengel spends extra hours working with the sound equipment in the auditorium.



DRAMA CLUB — Front Row: Debby Redman, Laurie Dugo, Richie Roberts, Eric Brandt, Andrea Granberry, Marlise Henrich, Cheryl Rigg, Chris Stark, Mrs. Alice Noble, sponsor. **Second row:** Karen Mackevitch, Toni Morgano, Jackie Moore, Mark Johansen, Jeff Hicks, v. pres. **Third Row:** Pat Leverich, Sharon Meade, Anna Meece, Lisa Benda, Jo Beth Madsen, pres.; Rich Eagen, treas.; Sherri Weekly, Diane Robinson, Jackie Smith, Cathy Hanner, Sandy Halsted, John Steeves. **Fourth Row:** Polly Powers, Julie Field, Lynn Kenworthy, Nora Hagens, Carolyn Seeber, Caroline Schumaker, Cathy Peters, Helen Lucatis, Marcia Bonich, Shannon Swann, Sarah Thompson. **Back Row:** Jeff Pera, Mike Stavreff, Kathy Satterlee, Reanne Garcia, Amy Eggert, Rickee Farrell, Sara Schroeder, sec.; Diane Moser, Caroline Dougherty, Jeanette Olszewski, Jan Chrustowski, Kim Ferrall, Sally Herndon.

While adjusting a background flat for the scenery of "The Sound of Music", John Kelley also fulfills his Drama Club membership requirement.

Quest member Pam Risk consults students' schedules so that messages received by Secretary Mrs. Peloso, may be delivered to students from the main office.

OEA — Front Row: Carol Wegrzyn, Laura Rettinger, Sharon Meade, Valerie Hawes. **Second Row:** Julie Buckmeier, sec.; Lisa Allen, hist.; Trish Laughery, pres.; Linda Zehner, vice pres.; Linda Ahlbrand, treas.; Mrs. Cindy Stalbaum, sponsor. **Back Row:** Tina Stout, Karen Reynolds, Chris Burke, Julie Benninghoff, Sheila Conley.



Remember how, as a child, winning was the most important thing in the world? You played to get the most property in Monopoly, more touchdowns than the other team, or more cookies than your little brother. As you grew, competition was less stressed. It was not whether you won or lost, but how you played the game. Now, Office Education Association (OEA) stresses competition to its members once again.

Senior girls who wish to develop office skills for a possible office career can enroll in a two hour class called Intensive Office Lab. Typing skills, shorthand, and running a make-believe office are skills accented in this class. These girls are also members of OEA.

Excellence in leadership and office skills are areas members are rated on in local, state, and national contests throughout the year.

Funds from bakesales made it possible to send members of OEA to these contests and also enabled OEA to send a Christmas basket to the needy.

Those who aren't necessarily interested in an office career, but do want to help out in an office can join Quest. A willingness to give up a study hall to work for a teacher, the office, the learning center, or the book store is the requirement to join Quest. Over 200 members run errands and perform various duties for teachers or offices which desire this service. Certificates for service are prepresented at Awards Night.



"OEA offers

an opportunity to compete"



Nancy Oliver's job as a Quest member involves working sixth hour in the school bookstore.



Tammy Buerhle seeks help from Learning Center student aide Ann Lyons.

Typing up a ditto is one of Pam Hutton's duties as a Quest student for Mrs. Kitty Clark.



"We try to promote accomplishments"

A common question asked small children is,

"What do you want to be when you grow up?" As the child matures, the adults modify the question to ask, "What do you plan to do when you graduate," and "are you doing anything to achieve your goal now?"

Most high school students don't really know what they want to do after graduation. They might have an idea as to their futures but aren't seriously thinking that far ahead.

The members of VICA and DECA did something about their future career plans. Most of the students in these vocational organizations had a head start over the other students, because they knew what professions they wanted to go into.

The main purpose of both VICA and DECA was to provide an opportunity for the vocational students to meet with other students who share their interest. They also promoted leadership qualities, and gave the members a chance to exchange ideas and opinions. Each VICA and DECA club met once a month during the various vocational classes.

The students in the clubs were given the opportunity to compete in Regional State, and National contests in their fields. Some of the clubs also took trips to see various jobs in action.

DECA offered community services such as a Halloween party for the kids at the hospital, and a needy family project during the holiday season.



ICT — President Ron Blasko, Secretary/Treasurer Chris Beuter. **Not Pictured:** Vice-President Keith Wilson.

DECA — **Front Row:** Vice-President Julie Hibbs, President Kathy Claesgens. **Back Row:** Treasurer Lisa Airey, Reporter Marla Johnson, Secretary Debbie Julian.





VICA: Tony Priano, Jeff Susdorf, Rex Goble, Keith Corteau.

Health Occupations — Front Row: Treasurer Brenda Leffel, President Loretta Ewing, Vice-President Judi Edgecomb, Historian Tom Romine. **Back Row:** Treasurer Audrey DeForest, President Beth Wineland, Treasurer Kelly Reling, Vice President Holly Sietsma. **Not pictured:** Secretary Lisa Weaver.



ICT President John Burchuck, Secretary/Treasurer Ed Fritts, Vice-President Craig Rothman.

VICA Mike Peters, Jeff Rick, Eric Bengel, Barry Allison.

Secretary Bekki Evans reads the minutes of the last Student Council meeting.



Mike Malackowski, chairman of the Christmas Dance, and Sandy Halstead discuss the evening's festivities with Santa, alias Mr. Sid Reggie.



STUDENT COUNCIL — Front Row: Stephanie Verde, Lisa Benda, Antoinette Morgano, Kris Evans, Jo Beth Madsen. **Second Row:** Debbie Buehrle, Cathy Brissette, Laurie Lambert, Leanne Endsley, Karen Reshkin, Alison Rush, Cindy Reavis, Jan Chrustowski, President Brad Lauman. **Third Row:** Sue Edwards, Keith Domke, Ellie Sachs, Angie Ranault, Jeanne Berkshire, Tracy Nemeth, Lorie Netzhammer, Karen Cyzyk, Denise Brosky, Treasurer Betsy Griffin. **Fourth Row:** Margo Woodruff, Jenny Izydorek, Debbie Marasco, Connie Martin, Jody Gutt, Joanne Nelson, Jean Carlson, Rachael Kilgour, Pam Benner, Karen Anderson, Secretary Bekki Evans. **Fifth Row:** Kim Arnett, Pam Tucker, Bill Luecke, Vice-President, Sergeant-at-Arms. **Sixth Row:** Stacy Waymire, Eugene O'Neil, Greg Chrustowski, Steve Ku Chris Hansen. **Seventh Row:** Mrs. Donna Gray, Mr. Bill Boyle, Reann Garcia, Lori Lethan, Mark Tucker, Rob Crise.



"We want to reorganize student government"

Our founding fathers set up our government to be of the people, by the people, and for the people. This system called a "democracy" worked. Consequently, many other nations copied our form of government.

Student Council was originally set up to be the governing body of the students. Through the years, Student Council lost its prestige and became less involved in student affairs, until it became just another club with little voice in the administration of the school.

Trying to rebuild a better council, President Brad Lauman and Vice-President Carol Bannec worked closely with first-year sponsors Mrs. Donna Gray and Mr. Bill Boyle to change student Council into the governing body it was originally meant to be.

By having student exchanges with neighboring high schools, the council members received new ideas that they hoped to incorporate in future years.

The council wanted to have more voice in school policies, it also hoped to make Student/Faculty Senate into a

"court" where problems between the school and students or between students and their peers could actually be tried and ruled on.

Student/Faculty Senate consisted of fifteen students and nine teachers. The sponsor of the Senate was Assistant Principal James McMichael. Although the Senate aimed to improve student-teacher relationships, they had no power to many decisions in the school.

There were sixty members in the Student Council. These included twenty representatives chosen from each class. The officers were voted on by the entire student body.

Student Council sponsored such projects as a film festival for the local school children, and the Christmas Dance. A new project added this year and planned by Vice-President Carol Bannec, the council took a weekend ski trip to Crystal Mountain, Michigan in February.



STUDENT/FACULTY SENATE — Front row: Ellie Sachs, Pam Tucker, Vice President Brigid Bartelmo, Secretary Eric Mannel, President Kris Evans, Mr. Bill Boyle, Mrs. Elizabeth Hall, Mrs. Judy Lebryk, Mrs. Donna Gray. **Second Row:**

Ernesto Cercas, Brad Lauman, Carol Bannec, Raell Garcia, Lorie Netzhammer, Julia Fields, Mr. Mark Watts, Mr. Ben Austin, Mr. Gien Ellis. **Back Row:** Keith Domke, Mark Tucker, David Ku, Bridget Welsh.

"They join for fun"



Almost all small children fantasize at one time or another about being a professional athlete.

Whether it's gymnastics or baseball, tennis or skiing, most people dream of being a star athlete and having hordes of fans admire them.

Unfortunately, the average person is not gifted enough in athletic abilities to gain fame. Regardless of how little ability an amateur has, he still might want to participate in a sport for the sheer pleasure of competition and accomplishment. For this very reason, VHS developed an extensive intramurals program.

For a nominal fee between one and fifteen dollars, many students participated in a wide variety of intramural sports. There were no pre-requisites — the kids simply joined for enjoyment.

Under the management of Mr. Virgil Sweet, the intramural program expanded over the last three years from one sport, basketball, to twelve.

With the school year divided into four seasons, the intramurals program tried to coordinate its sports to those seasons. The sports offered included four sessions of co-ed tennis, which were played both indoors and out, boys' touch football, boys' basketball, co-ed bowling, co-ed skiing, girls' volleyball, girls' gymnastics, co-ed water polo, and girls' basketball.



In an attempt to score a goal, Nathan Bretscher passes the ball to a teammate.

After preventing a goal, water polo teammate Paul Sommers shoots the ball down court.



Senior Mike Leveritt attempts to block a spike, while teammate Carol Bannec positions herself for a volley.



In addition to ski and pole coordination, the VHS intramural ski program teaches tow rope techniques and safety on the slopes.

Taking time off to get on the slopes, Intramural Ski Club co-sponsor Miss Linda White shows that all of her talents do not lie only in the classroom.



"Helping normal people with everyday problems"

Let's face it. Everyone needs someone to talk to. Whether your parents are fighting again, or a teacher just won't get off your back, or your boyfriend hasn't called in a week, sometime you can't handle it. Who can you turn to that will listen to your problem and possibly offer advice? Peer Counselors were chosen just for that reason.

Peer Counselors were a group of students who were interested in teaching or just in helping people.

Beginning in October, Peer Counselors attended special training sessions, conducted by Mr. Don Dick, guidance director, where they learned about body language and behavior. After attending these sessions, the counselors put together a show entitled "Feelings" which they presented at elementary schools in the school system.

Besides the show, Peer Counselors were available for private conferences with the students.

Offering advice to these students was not stressed as much as just listening to the problem. Possibly, if the counselor had been through a similar situation, he could recommend what he did to cope with that problem.

The counselors also attended meetings with freshman students and their parents to discuss any problems or questions the students might have about coming to the high school. The counselors also assisted in scheduling the freshmen.



Mr. Don Dick introduces the show entitled "Feelings" by involving students in his discussion.

Portraying the judges at April Antics in a skit included in the Peer Counselors show for elementary schools, Carol Stempora, Kim Moser, Pam Hutton, and Jon Brockopp discuss the last candidate.

Peer Counselors play students in a bully scene for elementary students at Northview School.



Paul Smith and Karen Anderson choose children from the audience at Northview School to participate in a skit.

Vikettes' routines prove to be a trying experience for Karen Anderson, Kathy Satterlee, and Toni Hackett when they attempt to teach a new girl the dance.



PEER COUNSELORS — **Front Row:** Carol Stempora. **Second Row:** Karen Anderson, Bill Walters, Kathy Satterlee, Kim Moser, Jon Brockopp, Tammy Russell. **Third Row:** Jill Dommer-

muth, Pam Hutton, Cyndi Rogness. **Fourth Row:** Paul Smith, Andy Eldridge, Toni Hackett, Andy Snyder. **Back Row:** M. Don Dick, sponsor.

'Creativity and hard work maintain a 1st class book'

When a rock star cuts a new album, he tries to combine the old familiar sound with something new. As he turns out each new album, the artist can be assured that fans will buy the record, because they know what to expect. Yet they don't want the same old songs, they want to hear something new.

As the **Valenian** staff turns out each new **Valenian**, the same basic policy holds true. Even though the concept of yearbooks is basically universal, each year the staff tries to incorporate fresh designs and techniques.

Staffers devoted patience, time, and hard work to their individual sections in order to meet deadlines. When the atmosphere got a little hectic, the section editors remembered the honors such as the Medalist Award that CSPA rating

agency awarded to previous **Valenians** and tried to make their work meet those standards.

While attending a journalism workshop at Ball State University, the editors and section editors learned layout and design techniques. Journalists and yearbook advisors from around the country lectured during the week on the different points of view of yearbook production. This also allowed the editors to get a head start at planning the **Valenian**.

Valenian staffers celebrated Christmas with a party at Janiros Restaurant. Dawn breakfasts at Perkins and the annual Spring Awards Banquet helped members keep their spirits high throughout the year.



VALENIAN — Front Row: Mrs. Gloria Zimmerman, sponsor; Laurie Lemmons, Donna Raymond, Cindy Reavis, Lisa Giacobbe, Leslie Olsen, Jill Dommermuth, Eric Charon. **Second Row:** Mike Malackowski, Kathy Veselica, Rich Eagen, Jan Chrustowski, Bruce Morrison, Brian Wickle, Keith Domke. **Back Row:** Jeff Gardin, Lauralyn Bengel, Pam Tucker, Janet Koberna, John Kelley, Brenda Heaster.

Sports co-editor Brian Wickle consults the fall sports schedule in order to coordinate a photo session.





Putting yearbook deadlines aside to celebrate Christmas at Janiros with the staff, co-editor John Kelley visits with his mother, Mrs. Del Kelley.



First year staffer Pam Tucker concentrates on drawing layouts to make every detail correct.

Being careful not to let the everyday tensions of yearbook work get her down, co-editor Brenda Heaster relaxes while revising the ladder of the '79 book.





NHS (seniors) — Front Row: Suzanne Wellner, Brad Lauman, v. pres., Dave Lebryk, pres. **Second Row:** April Pullins, Mary Shaffer, Jan Chrus-towski, Laurie Lemmons, Lisa Schantz, Bekki Evans. **Third Row:** John Kelley, Alison Rush, Joe Bondi, Mike Tonner, Bob Hartwell, Eric Mannel. **Fourth Row:** Barb Raber, Kevin Brophy, Gary Krueger, Janet Koberna, Mary Greenawald, Maureen Johnson. **Back Row:** Rich Philips, Eugene O'Neill, David Dipert, Dennis Dommer, Sandy Halstead, Sara Ramirez.

NHS (juniors) - Front Row: Ruth Lohmeyer, El-lie Sachs, Jim Brady, Laura Ventura, Katie Nagel, Sherry Dobbins. **Second Row:** Craig McCarron, Steve Ferklic, Karen Anderson, Sandy Washeck, Millie Marshall, Ann Crowley. **Third Row:** Dave Ku, Mary Ann Dupes, John Schmucker, Steve Ku, Jeff Furlin, Martha Gallow. **Fourth Row:** Michele Hazlett, Pam Benner, Ann Hoehner, Connie Hans, Caroline Seeber, Dave Koenig. **Back Row:** Ram Risk, Kim Carichoff, Heidi Hunsburger, Dave Far-row, Helen Kirscher, Sadonna Swann, Brian Ton-ner.

THESPIANS — Front Row: Linda Bell, Katie Nagel. **Second Row:** Anna Meece, JoBeth Mad-sen. **Back Row:** Jeff Hicks, Mark Johansen.



"You Are Selected For Membership"

Spirit, enthusiasm, and an increasing membership are qualities every club would like to have. Yet, it seems as if these ideals are on the decline. When members join on a voluntary basis, they may feel it is a hassle to stay involved with that club. On the other hand, if members are selected, it becomes an honor to be involved.

National Honor Society, Thespians, and Quill and Scroll are clubs in which the members are selected on a competitive basis.

To be a member of NHS, a student must have a 3.0 grade point average, and be nominated by teachers. Thespians must have at least 200 hours of theater work, and Quill and Scroll members must be accomplished journalists.

NHS sold close to 3000 flowers at the annual flower sale. With the profits from the sale, NHS was able to award a senior a \$150 scholarship. They also donated money to the Foreign Exchange Club, and financed the annual induction ceremony.

Thespians enjoyed their membership by taking a trip to Chicago with the Drama Club and by participating in most of the dramatic productions at VHS.

Quill and Scroll members, who were required to work on a publication for a semester and have at least a "B" average, were honored at the Spring Awards Banquet.



After the NHS flower sale, Carol Stempora and Jean Carlson help sort and tag more than 3000 flowers, which were delivered on Valentine's Day.

Quill and Scroll — Front Row: Eric Charon, Lauralyn Bengel, Lisa Giacobbe, Laurie Lemmons, Jan Chrustowski, Kathy Vaselica. **Second Row:** John Kelley, Brenda Heaster, Leslie Olsen, Janet Koberna, Rich Eagen, Cindy Reavis, Jill Dommermuth, Pam Tucker. **Back Row:** Donna Raymond, Mike Malackowski, Jeff Gardin, Brian Wikle, Keith Domke, David Koenig.





In an attempt to catch up with the French in the art of the sword, VHS fencers practice their thrust.

With the popularity of audio-visual overhead, blackboards in math have become a relic of the past.

Taking care not to spill anything on the stove, Amie DeLong and Bev Neal add the next ingredient to their meatballs during Foods class.





Lisa Benda and Jo Beth Madsen examine slides for possible use in their Independent Study project.

Before his class begins its lab, Life Science instructor Paul Miller explains proper microscope technique.



3-R'S MAKE A COMEBACK



A careful observer once noted that history moved like a pendulum — it took one giant lurch to the right and then all the way back to the left. The French Revolution was one example as the French lived under an absolute monarchy, overthrew it, and then swung back to absolutism with the Emperor Napoleon.

Education claims the same swinging tendency. Educators are constantly searching for new, more exciting ways to teach the concepts they want their students to learn.

Following a century of teaching the basics, in the late '60's VHS revamped its curriculum in an effort to interest the students. The English Department added courses that stimulated interest rather than sleep. As a result, courses like Love Means and Mythology appeared in the curriculum handbook.

The first warning against the new system, however, came from the college campuses. Professors said that their students couldn't handle college level reading assignments, nor could they write logically. Some high school seniors were even failing standard competency tests. So in the mid '70's a

movement started that aimed at swinging education back to the basics.

VHS answered the need for the basics by adding courses that weren't always fun but were educational. Practical courses such as Nuts and Bolts, and Practice in Composition arrived to teach students the fundamentals of the English language. The Math department followed suit and added courses that would help students by teaching them everyday math concepts.

The administration went one step further by making basic skills courses mandatory. Beginning with the class of 1980, all students must take a grammar course, or a composition course to be eligible for graduation.

So she can correct an error in her seam width, Maria Alcantara rips the stitches out and starts over.

Concentrating on her music, Karen Reshkin plays her violin along with the others in Orchestra class.



Business majors gain market on jobs and money

Although scientists predict that some-day computers will totally eliminate the need for manpower, there is still a shortage of business executives today. In fact, some experts say that a person with a Master's Degree in Business Administration holds "the key to the executive washroom." Consequently, many college students are aiming for business degrees.

While the college business programs were constantly filled, the Business Department at VHS suffered a drop in enrollment. To provide students with an introduction to business, and also to stimulate their interest, the department added some introductory courses to its curriculum. One course that was not new or basic, but was useful was Business Law. Those students who took it learned their ways in the world of contracts, insurance, and consumer awareness.

Another field that demands more and

After completing a typing drill, Kim Dutcher looks for errors in her typing copy.



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more manpower is engineering. Many students took drafting because it was a good introduction to the highly technical field and also because it was interesting to see what could be created with the use of lines and forms. The quality of the drafting program could best be described by saying that for the past five years, students from VHS have placed first, second, or third in the state drafting contest at Indianapolis.

A common theme throughout the Business Department hangs in the accounting room as a reminder of what business really means.

On the road to balancing their books, students in first year accounting work their way from journals to ledgers.

MAKE YOUR
GOAL
IN ACCOUNTING





Apparently pleased with his progress, Matt Lux adds the finishing touches to his interior design.

Lisa Smith works for speed and accuracy during a timed writing drill in typing class.



While working on his drafting assignment, Bill Lemmons finds some mistakes that need erasing.

In a marketing contest which involved designing a shopping center for the year 2000 Lisa Frost, Jeff Neely, and Laurie Lemmons took awards for best design.

While they appear to be sleeping, students in the psychology classes are merely participating in a hypnotism seminar given by psychologist Manuel Vargas.

Determined to get his point across, Mr. Martin Miller lectures to his fifth hour government class, a required course for seniors.



Taking a break from regular studies, Mr. Reggie's Foreign Relations class listens as Sherri Dobbins talks about her trip to Mexico.

After researching her assigned topic, junior Bonnie Hearst gives an oral report to her social studies classes.



Topical studies fight boredom offer nappers a change of pace

Does the same old stuff at school day after day get you down? Do you need a change of pace? If so, why don't you try a tour of Europe, a week on the sunny Mediterranean beaches, or a visit to the Far East to revive yourself. Or, if travel isn't your thing, you might try a session of self-analysis or hypnosis.

Don't let the expense get you down either. For a small fee (about \$15 a year for book rental) and a few hours of your time the Social Studies Department will help you get going again.

Manuel Vargas, a Merrillville psychologist, was one of the several guest speakers to visit the psychology classes. He conducted a hypnotism seminar where the students had a chance to be "put under." The first session in the fall proved so popular that he returned in the spring for another visit.

Several classes also took a field trip to the Michigan City Prison to talk with inmates. "The students always seem surprised to find out those criminals are really people too," noted Elizabeth



Social Studies was one of the few departments where students learned the material by participating in true-to-life situations. Mrs. Anne Baker, famous for her simulations, used role-playing in her capitalism classes. Students worked for either Hammerhead or Armstrong Mill to learn the fundamentals of business. In Westward Expansion classes, students created skits and worked on projects dealing with the further settlement of our country.

Gurthet, a psychology teacher.

Since this year signaled the end of a five-year plan, the department was in the midst of reorganizing the social studies program. Teachers and parents served on a board to review new textbooks and to study curriculum changes. The addition to a geography class to the course selection was one of the proposed changes.

Meg Davidson, Sue Slingsby, Rob Lines, and Kevin Hoffman participate in a psychology discussion during Miss Elizabeth Gurthet's class.

It's been a long day at the office; I need a breather

Aaah! You're home after a hard day. You've finished your work and now you just want to sit back, relax, and take it easy. The Health, P.E., and Driver's Education departments felt this type of complacency and satisfaction. With no reorganization or radical changes taking place this year, these classes were able to assume a state of normalcy.

Although rumor had it that simulated driving was about to replace the actual behind-the-wheel experience in the driver Ed. program, instructors vetoed the idea.

Learning and practicing life-saving techniques in health class proved successful. Initiated last year, boating safety taught students the rules for safety and how to rescue victims from the water. Assistant Fire Chief Phil Griffin taught CPR training, which enabled students to become registered lifesavers, capable of rescuing heart-attack victims.

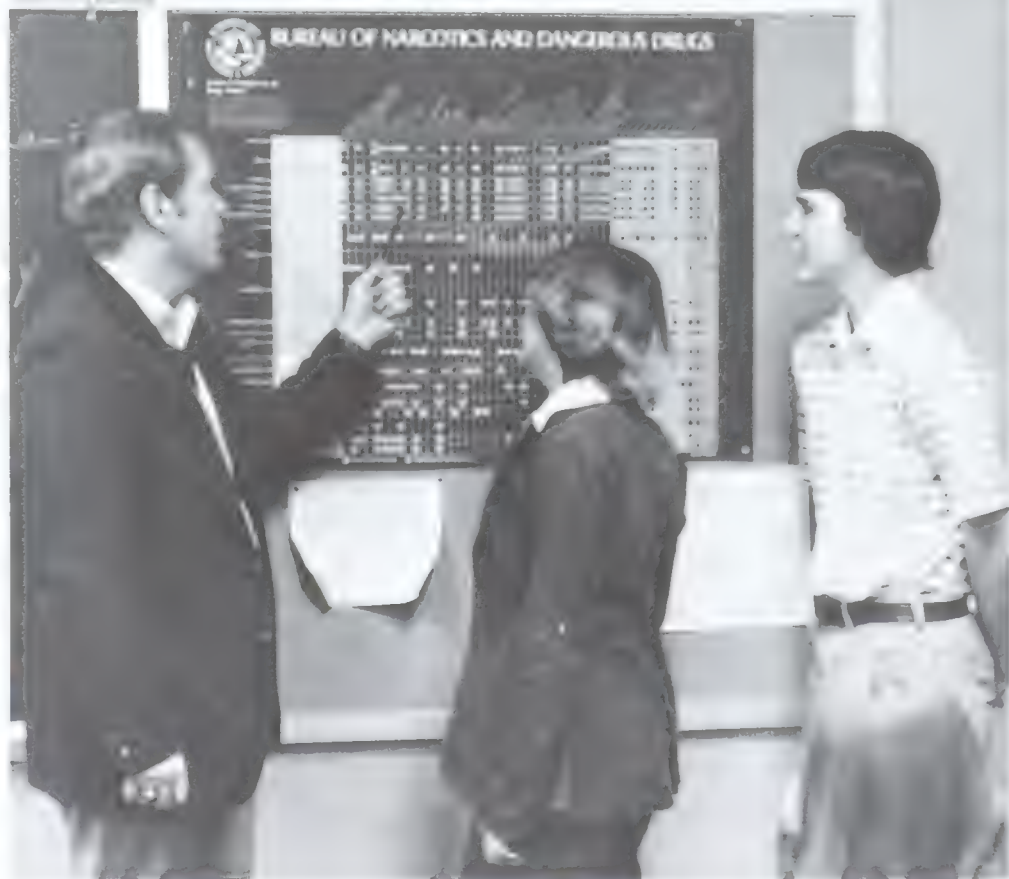
With the addition of racquetball to the Physical Education Department, students chose from a selection of over 24 different courses. When fencing was



added last year, VHS became one of the few schools in the state to include it in its physical education curriculum. In fact, many teachers from other districts visited VCS for the sole purpose of observing its gym program.

Two students in Mr. Mark Watt's fencing class practice executing the technique "re-treat and attack."

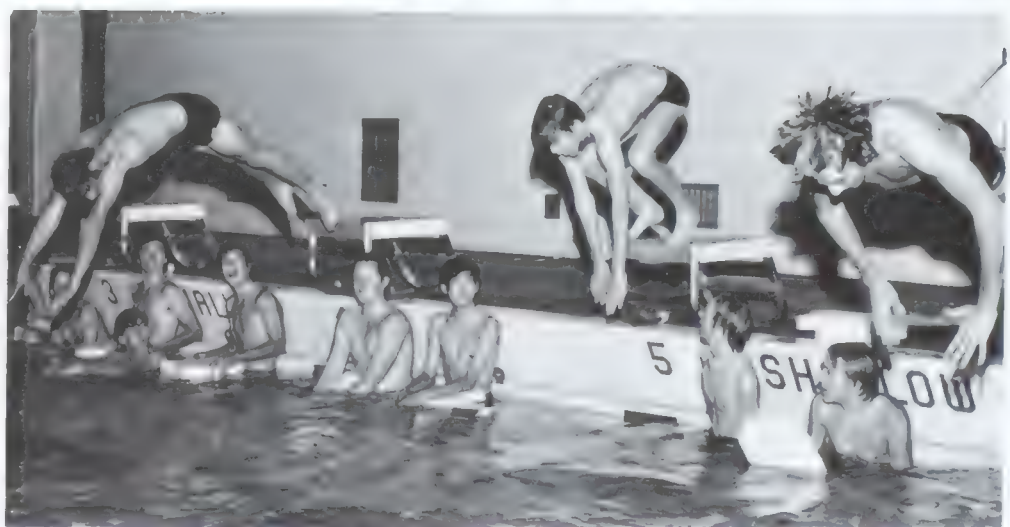
Mr. Skip Collins informs health students Allison Craker and Bill Jones of harmful drugs as classified by the U.S. Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs.





Fencing students practice the "forward lunge" position. Returning by popular demand, Fencing has become one of the most popular gym classes.

After a session behind the wheel with instructor Tom Stokes, Drivers Ed. students call it a day and return to the school parking lot.



Showing their individual diving styles, three swimmers jump off the starting blocks to begin swimming laps during gym class.

A student in gym class works on polishing his basketball skills as instructor Virgil Sweet looks on and offers tips.

Before the holiday break, the French, German, and Spanish classes assemble to celebrate Christmas international style.

Foreign language students take time out to gather 'round the table and toast the holiday with a Spanish vintage.



As her dog cooperates, Lisa Brown explains the technique of bathing a dog for her demonstration in speech class.



French students Pam Berkowski and Jeff Hicks polish up their skit prior to their performance for French class.



Dramatic Arts students Lisa Eichelberg and Polly Powers get some practical experience in building sets for a play.



Sellers fight fear and fast-break tendency

So you don't appeal to many people. Your manners are bad, you use the wrong words at the wrong time, and you usually get nervous when talking to more than two friends at the same time. Life seems hopeless.

Help finally arrived for people afflicted with this problem, because in addition to learning how to make speeches, Speech Class taught students promotion through self-P.R. The class also taught methods of good conduct and self-representation. Since the way a person talks often categorizes him, students learned speaking skills that could "move them ahead" of their particular stereotype.

In past years, the English Department added and phased-out courses. Similar



to a revolving door, courses were always going in and then coming out of the curriculum. The trend changed, however, when the department didn't add any new courses and maintained the same curriculum for next year. In addition it hoped to add courses in the future which would stress practical skills such as spelling, job applications, and resumes.

Students in third year Spanish class concentrated on using the skills they learned in previous years by preparing resumes. Other third year classes read novels and fables instead of the familiar grammar instruction that normally accompanied language courses.

Demonstrating the strength and skill needed to break a pinata, Jim Meyer enjoys one of the traditional Spanish holiday customs.

Displaying the award-winning pinata she made for Spanish class, Erica Reggie explains her method of construction.

B BAND — Front Row: G. Harris, S. Swann, D. Renshaw, T. Magnetti, D. Evans, J. Buchanan, L. Deck, L. Hodge, J. Mischanko. **Second Row:** J. Tiebert, J. Dupes, K. Ferrall, K. Cyzyk, B. Griffin, S. Bondi, V. Weber, J. Poncher, K. Marshall, M. Delumpa, K. Bertholet, K. Doane. **Third Row:** K.

Nightingale, M. Tucker, L. Bozarth, P. Powell, D. Howard, P. Chocker, A. Stratton, B. Terpstra, T. Foster, J. Evans, C. Miller, K. Krebs, A. Platt, N. Reynolds, J. Ikeda, M. Stavreft, K. Murphy, D. Armstrong, S. Tracy, C. Andrews, D. Hunt, T. McBride, M. Moore. **Back Row:** C. Athanson, S.

Huber, C. Parkes, B. Louderback, K. Davidson, P. Niland, L. Kyes, J. Carpenter, M. Keller, S. Hoover, R. Weiler, M. Johnson, B. Morrison, J. Golding, B. Vorwald.



A BAND — Front Row: S. Wellner, L. Fritts, R. Kilgour, L. Annen, S. Schroeder, M. Schultz, K. Nagel, K. Rubel, A. Czebaj. **Second Row:** B. Thomas, S. McFarland, M. Feldman, S. Swann, H. Adams, M. Johnson, C. Schumaker, J. Wehing, P. Smith, B. Raber, L. Bengel, A. Pullins, D.

Droege, L. Sundwall, M. Hazlett, P. Berkoski, M. Wessel. **Third Row:** R. Fleenor, M. Greenawald, D. Kendrick, L. Armstrong, D. Chans, P. Hutton, R. Schroeder, C. Emmons, C. Nulton, D. Mason, D. Sturdevant, D. Reynolds, A. Funk, F. Hicks, K. Luebke, K. Sanford, J. Brockopp, K. Hanner, P.

Schiek, J. Fredrick, S. Robinson, B. Watts, D. Rhynard. **Back Row:** J. Kelley, D. North, T. Uban, C. Hanson, T. McFadden, J. Ungurait, L. Willis, J. Golding, J. Bratsakis, R. Hill, C. Platt, B. Kerlin, J. Chrustowski, J. Bondi, J. Griffin.



Thursday night band rehearsals give sophomore Ted Foster a chance to perfect his marching routines for the halftime shows during football games.

ORCHESTRA — Front Row: Millie Marshall, Debbie Waseman, Heidi Gebhardt, Sonia Sison, Nancy Gray, Karen Reshkin. **Second Row:** Victoria Rubel, Diane Cook, Pam Laskey, Prudente Carlos, Andy Freeman, Kathy Woodrich, Liz Brauer, Nora Hagans. **Back Row:** Jim Washek, Ron Schroeder, John Carlson, Brian Keller.

Musicians prove instrumental in bolstering students' spirits

S-P-I-R-I-T SPIRIT! Don't be surprised to hear cheers coming from the VHS band room instead of the football field. With renewed enthusiasm, music students greatly boosted school spirit.

Football season provided plenty of marching experience for the bands. Beginning in August, the students attended organized marching practices to prepare for the first football game, which was held before school even started. With a new style of marching, similar to that of drum and bugle corps routines, and a flag corps with membership open to all girls, drum majors Barb Raber, Jan Chrustowski, and Rachel Henry successfully led, in the words of directors Robert Miller and

the band's performance at the Indiana Music Educator's Association state convention in October. Widely reknowned, the A Band was the only band in the entire state invited to the IMEA clinic, which was attended by Indiana's music directors and featured Dr. William Revelli, one of the most outstanding band directors in this country.

While their friends at home suffered with the snow and the cold, the band students were enjoying the Florida sunshine. During spring break junior and senior members embarked on a bi-annual journey highlighted by marching in the parade at Disney World.

In addition to performing at concerts



Daniel Pritchett, "another of the fine marching units that VHS has produced."

Highlighting the concert season was

the 131 members also worked individually, competing in contests such as All-State Band and NISBOVA. NISBOVA is a contest **(continued)**

Choirs sing anew while orchestra strings together

sponsored for all student musicians, who perform by themselves or in ensembles. The bands, choirs, and orchestra also participate in this contest.

For the first time since WWI, VHS boasts a full symphonic orchestra. It's only been in the past several years that interest in the orchestra has increased. Under Rolando Chilian's direction, the department has now expanded to include both strings and winds for concerts. The 40-member ensemble participated in several concerts and contests, including NISBOVA.

As if to prove that the sport's world doesn't hold a monopoly on player trading, the choir department conducted a switch of its own. Mr. Richard Hein, former director of the junior high school choirs, switched jobs with VHS Director Bernard Butt.

Besides trading directors, the choirs also underwent a structural change. Both A and B choirs are mixed, compared to previous years when all male singers automatically joined A



choir, regardless of their talent.

A full concert schedule, a swing choir contest, NISBOVA, a roast beef dinner, and a week-end trip in the spring kept the 92 members busy all year long.

In order to execute a technical passage, freshman violinist Nancy Gray must give all her concentration to the music during an orchestra rehearsal.

GIRL'S GLEE CLUB — Front Row: Connie Wilhelm, Cathy Peters, Jean Hardesty. **Second Row:** Tonya Atwell, Liz McNamara, Lisa Sumner, JoAnne Demeo, Sally Herndon, Kim Wilson, Brenda Tucker. **Third Row:** Rhonda Stedman, Julia Field, Kathy Donley, Bridget Welsh, Debbie Eaton, Wanda Sutherlin, Debbie Buerhle. **Back Row:** Ann Wesket, Theresa Channel, Julie Husmann, Lynn Christy, Kelly, Goodman, Diane Lafferty, Polly Powers, Cara Coulter, Diane Lassner.



Like many musicians, ninth-grader Jim Washek often finds it difficult to watch the director, read the music, and play his instrument at the same time.

B CHOIR — Front Row: Jamie Dutcher, Debbie Redman, Linda Bell, Carolyn Seeber, Caroline Hefner, Autumn Butt, Tracy Nemeth. **Second Row:** Karen Kissinger, Mary Shaffer, Karen Fritts, Nancy Casbon, Wendy Liddle,

Andrea Held, Caroline Schumaker, Wendi Bucher, Toni Margona, Kelly Shadrick. **Third Row:** Linnea Youngmark, Suzanne West, Lori Lethen, Pam McCormick, Sue Rogers, Julie Pearson, Pat Leverich, Jackie Smith, Tammy

Blau, Jamie Hodurek, Janet Myers. **Back Row:** Don Rae, Dave Giacobbe, John Reed, Dave Goodrich, Jeff Maxey, Peter Bray, Mark Johansen, Rob Odell, Sherri Pauley, Brenda Parks, Tami Christy.

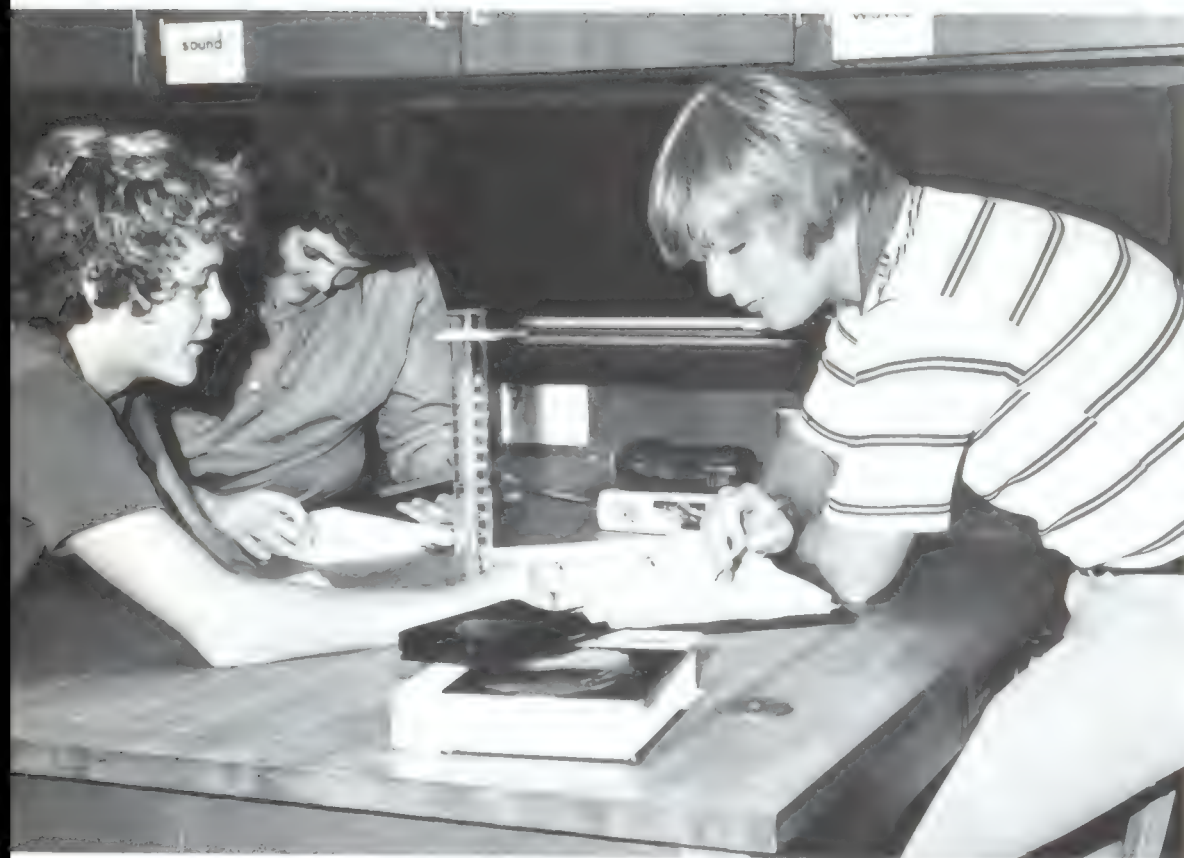


A CHOIR — Front Row: King Dahl, Ross Hubbell, Mark Birky. **Second Row:** Sherri Weekley, Jeff Maxey, Tacy Casbon, Rich Eagen, Paul Karina, Merribeth Hall, Mark

Berg, Martha Stoner, Rob Odell, Carol Joseph. **Back Row:** Tom Golando, Joy Christiansen, Tom Hoyt, Nancy Casbon, Lee Childress,

Brett Reeder, Wendy Liddle, Don Liddle, Sonia Sison, Mark Johansen, Pam Heiner, Dave Walters.

While comparing data, seniors Mike Garrett and Bob Davenport and junior Ken Krebs check for accuracy.



IPS students, Jo Beth Madsen and Lisa Benda work on the audio portion of their project.



Sophomore Melanie Redding watches the mixture in her test tube for a proper reaction.



Following the directions to his chemistry lab, Scott Morrison places a hot test tube in a beaker.

Senior Eugene O'Neil concentrates on solving a problem in Pre-Calculus class.





Class threatens gamblers with newfound talents

The odds are 10 to 1 that I could come out with a royal flush but then again my opponent's odds could be better than mine, and then I'd lose everything. I might have a good shot at drawing an ace, but then my opponent has the same chance at drawing his winning card — I wish I were better at figuring out my odds at winning.

Possibly a course on probability and statistics could help a gambler in figuring out his odds. Next year a semester course on probability and statistics will be offered in the Math department, "for students who don't have time for a full year of math," according to Mr. Don Scott, department chairman. Although the class isn't designed to teach gambling, knowledge gained from it could come in handy in a gambling type situation.

Not to be outdone by the school mathematicians, the science department offered a general physics course to its students. This course is similar to General Chemistry, which was



created last year, because it offers students a general background on the science of motion without getting highly technical.

The independent study program, revised last year, consists of two students under the supervision of Miss Liz Brown. The areas being researched are the radio and television media. One project of the course has the students involved in a sophomore convocation with a slide-tape presentation.

After making adjustments on his balance scale, Greg Engstrom continues on with his experiment.

In his last year of teaching, Mr. Paul Miller lectures on the DNA molecule to his Life Science class.



Nature buffs stir interest in trees

The Arthurian legend stated that the wizard Merlin was in charge of Arthur's childhood education, and thus made him the great king that he was. Yet Merlin's classroom was no castle tower filled with shelves of dusty Latin textbooks, rather his classroom was the nearby forest where Arthur could be close to nature and think among his fellow beasts.

Although Merlin and Arthur were long since dead, the idea of the outdoor classroom lived on. Directly behind the football field was that fenced in area that most students and the rest of the community didn't realize as the VHS Nature Study Area.

Its 9.9 acres only part of a 50 acre transaction between the school system and Mr. E.S. Keene in 1967, the Nature Study Area was used to help Science students see life in action in its natural habitat.

While the land for the nature study area was purchased in 1967, it wasn't until 1973, one year after the

completion of the new high school, that the school board officially established the nature study area.

One year later, the life science classes under Mr. Paul Miller began to organize it into its present state.

Beauty Creek winds its way through the middle of the area, and several foot trails throughout the acreage make most of the region easily accessible to students. Mr. Miller tried to keep the area as strictly natural as possible, therefore no maintenance was needed to clean the debris.

One man made feature of the nature study was the rainwater drainage system built to accomodate the Special Education and Learning Facility. In cases where the engineers failed to replace things as they were, some needless erosion resulted. Largely unaffected by the drainage as of now, in the event of a heavy rainstorm, the nature study faces possible flooding from the 1700 acre drainage system.



Although tempered by the effects of harsh weather and vandals, the signs made by Greg Fairchok in 1975 still greets visitors to the Nature Study.

In a last ditch attempt to find a Quaking Aspen leaf for her nature study project, Brenda Heaster scans the area for the hard-to-find tree.





Farmers used to plant rows of osage orange trees as fences to keep their livestock from straying onto the neighboring farm.

Roger Dodrill, Susan Borchertmeyer, Wenyd Bucher, and Steve Dommer inspect an ash tree for signs of decay.



Peering through a culvert that will be part of the Nature Study's pond drainage system, Roger Dodrill contemplates the logistics of the project.

Darwin's principle on the survival of the fittest applies to the trees in the nature study as they compete against each other for needed sunlight.

Since the density of the trees' foliage allows little sunlight to filter through to the ground below, it is usually dark in the nature study.



Too many people cause class to be specialized

At times, the darkroom resembled the Black Hole of Calcutta — several people were pushing and shoving, trying to develop their photographs all at once. To top things off, there was only one person available to help this frantic mass of people.

The situation was never that bad in photography class, but it could have been, because of the popularity of the course. Consequently, the Art Department decided to narrow down the size of the class. It made Photography a more specialized course by creating Art I and Art II, prerequisites. Since both of these courses were each a semester in length, a student had to have at least a year's experience in the Art curriculum before entering Photography. The teachers felt that a Photography student would notice more artistic details around him if he had had some introductory background into the world of art.



A few years ago, classes for strictly males or females were banned by a law called Title IX. While bachelor living class was phased out, a new co-ed class called family management was introduced. The teachers worried about the boys' reaction to girls in the class, but the situation did work out.

Naturally, practical courses such as cooking and sewing were still offered, but it seemed guys weren't ready to enroll yet. The Home Ec Department has yet to discover its Halston or Graham Kerr.



While checking for possible flaws, photographer Debbie Marasco and fellow classmates Jeff Platt and Carol Stempora look for promising photographs.

Besides taking pictures and developing film, Julie Bach shows that photographers must have some knowledge of chemistry.

Senior Dave Gertsamier concentrates on perfecting his copper rubbing in art class.

With paintbrush firmly in hand, junior Don Peterson attempts to create a masterpiece in watercolors.

Performing the not-so-fun aspect of washing dishes, Pat Dziadosz shows that cleaning up must always follow the cooking process.



Using his artistic awareness of facial details, Matt Eichelberg tries to paint a portrait of a fellow classmate.



In accordance with Title IX, students Alison Craker and Mike Stout prove that co-ed home ec classes can work.



ANTHONY OVERDOSE KILLS MORALE

Long before the Olympic Games, men competed against each other for food, women, and survival. Then after the individual competitions that were encouraged in the Games, team sports were created in which several men were needed to play the game. The men on the team were called, quite naturally, the players.

At first, the players weren't as highly thought of as the person who competed individually on a one-to-one basis. But gradually, spectators learned that the players on a team were also individuals, not automatons. Once they warmed to this fact, the spectators tried to support the teams also.

Yet, certain team sports stood out on the list of competitions, and the spectators, being a naturally selective bunch, chose them over the other, less flamboyant, ones. So as one or two sports such as football and basketball dominated the spectator scene, the players on the forgotten teams began to feel their spirits wane.

At first they thought their problem was caused by the inconvenience of their schedules — it was hard for parents and students to arrange their days to be at school for a swim meet or a baseball game at 4:30 on a weekday.

After some thought, they decided that couldn't be it. Maybe publicity was the problem. After all, there weren't any posters around the school proclaiming a wrestling match. The radio stations weren't interested in broadcasting the baseball game either. Finally, Pep Club never had a pep session in the spring to gear up the fans for warm weather sports.

Whatever it was, the forgotten players were frustrated, hurt, and a little angry. They wondered why they should be overlooked in the scramble to attend winter sports like football and basketball when the fans had to brave the cold to cheer their teams. But, whatever they felt, they still went out and did their best because, even though there were few fans who cared they still had to aim toward self satisfaction with their game.

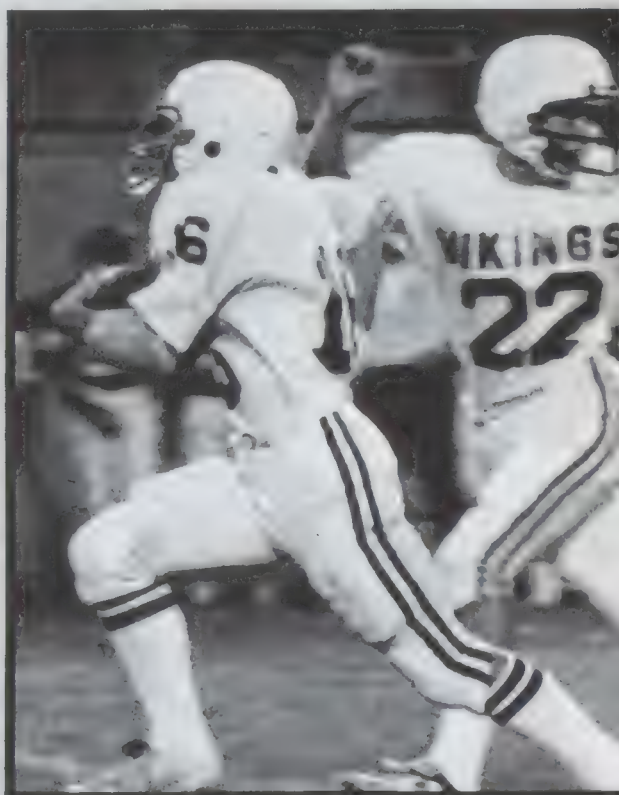
Although Brad Blastick stands only 6 ft. tall, he averaged 20.2 points per game and was named to the Indiana-Illinois All-Star team.





While waiting their turn to play, Dave Lebryk and Greg Leoffler watch the game from the bench.

Top diver Lisa Frost executes a back somersault dive in a meet against Chesterton.



Senior gridder Mike Jones shows the running form that won him the varsity team's MVP award.

Varsity tennis co-captain Dave Mason returns a volley to his opponent's side of the court.

Utilizing the advantages of the "I" Sprint offense, quarterback Bill Hess hands off to fullback Scott Snodgrass.

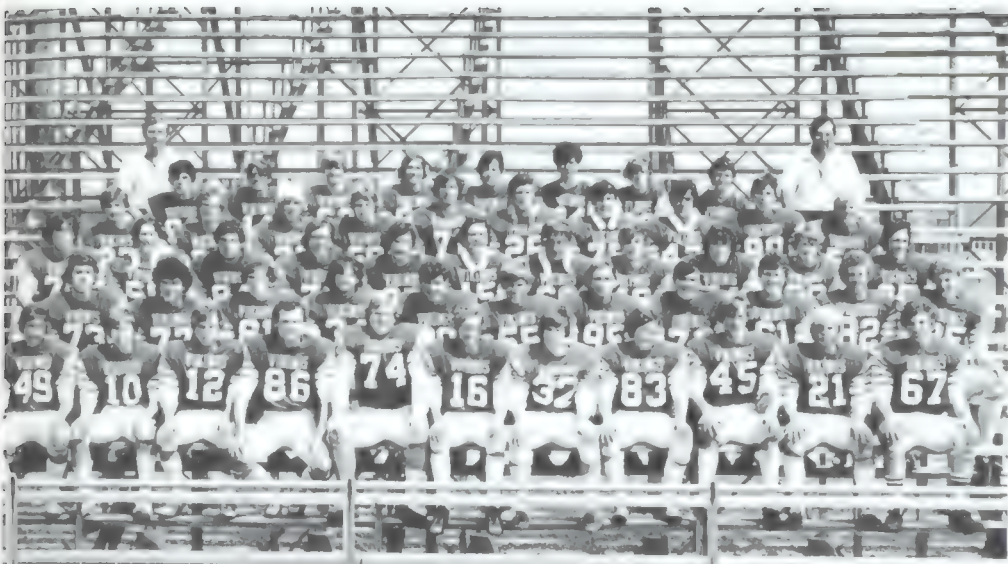
Quarterback Bill Hess, keeping the ball on the option, looks upfield for running room.



Coaches Sid Reggie and Pat Murphy anxiously await the results of the play from the sidelines.

Tailback Don Raymond outmaneuvers his Highland opponent and heads for paydirt.





With Don Raymond holding, George Moncilovich drills the extra point through the uprights.



"I Sprint" jells late in season

When first starting out, a baby will step and fall, step and fall until finally he can take two or three steps together. After hours of practice, he can finally place one foot in front of the other and slowly walk. Finally, he's accomplished it so well that he no longer steps hesitantly.

Coaches Reggie and Murphy used the same strategy in changing the J.V. Football Team from the single wing over to the "I Sprint" offense. They set down the basics like filling in the new positions, such as quarterback, experimented by trial and error with these, and gradually got the team used to it. "The 'I' took a while to get going," stated Reggie, "but once we got it down it worked for us." The J.V.'s scored a total of 75 points, and 41 of these came in the last three games. Hard-running sophomore Darryl Keller led the team and the new "I" offense with six touchdowns for the season. Jim Lynch added three, while Scott Snodgrass and Tim Selby followed with one each. Don Raymond

ran in a two point conversion. George Moncilovich kicked seven of ten extra points to boost the score.

While the offense took a while to get started, the defense held the team together. The defense allowed their opponents to score only 61 points in eight games, an average of only seven and a half per game. The JV defenders boasted one of the best defensive records in years. They put up goal line stands, stopped their opponents on fourth and one situations, and constantly held other teams below their potential rushing and passing ability. "Our defense held us together until the offense got going," remarked Reggie. Dave Birkey led the defense with 86 tackles while Steve Miller and Dave Brown received the star award, (blocked punts, interceptions, and fumble recoveries.) The defense shut out their opponents twice, while in two other games, held them to only one touchdown. In the game against LaPorte, the JV gridders held their opponents to a safety, for two points.

JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL

	OPP	VHS
Crown Point	0	7
Highland	8	7
Portage	11	7
Hobart	8	7
Chesterton	14	6
M.C. Rogers	18	15
LaPorte	2	13
Merrillville	0	13

Season Record: 3 wins — 5 losses

J.V. FOOTBALL TEAM Front Row: Jim Lynch, Bill Hess, Dave Brown, Brian Bonzani, Todd Trowbridge, Mark Van Hook, Brad Lichtenberger, Scott Mockler, Darrel Keller, Greg Emig, Scott Hubert. **Second Row:** Al Pittman, Tim Selby, Mark Berg, Kevin Agee, George Moncilovich, Todd Van Keppel, Kevin Murphy. **Third Row:** Chris Brown, Rich Bland, Dave Birky, Chuck Mertz, Trent Albert, Ed Solomon, Scott Snodgrass, Neil Schroeder, Glen Frazee, Dave Galey, Steve Miller. **Fourth Row:** Kurt Gesse, Kevin Inches, Mark Kendrick, Bruce Louderback, Tim Eckert, Gary Pavich, Bruce Stombaugh, Don Raymond, Gerald Moran, Todd Smith. **Back Row:** Coach Pat Murphy, Mike Mueller, Tom Swanson, Jim Benton, Tom Blaney, Steve Ikeda, Mike Dowd, Eric Berg, Dave Goodrich, Coach Sid Reggie.

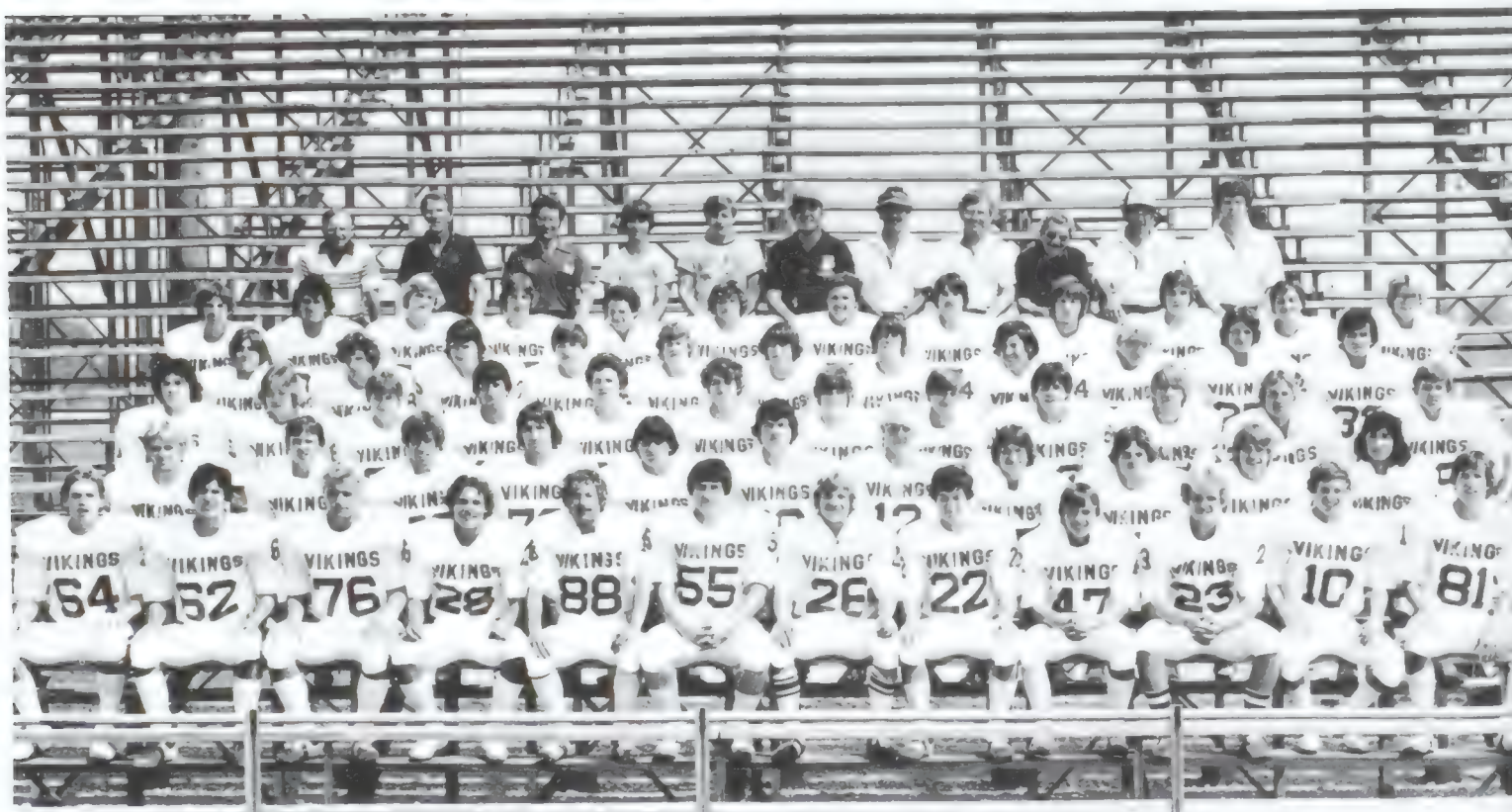
After taking the pitch on the option, Darrel Keller turns upfield.

Sophomore Tim Leveritt pops through a hole in the defense created by the blocking of Brian Dogan.

VARSITY FOOTBALL

	VHS	OPP
Munster	0	7
Crown Point	21	7
Portage	10	3
Gary Roosevelt	21	0
Chesterton	14	17
M.C. Rogers	13	28
LaPorte	16	20
Merrillville	14	27
Plymouth	23	14
Hobart	7	10

Season Record:
4 wins — 6 losses



VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM — Front Row: Jim Stanton, Tim Balko, Greg Loeffler, Rick Young, Ken Grindlay, Kurt Lightcap, Mike Daras, Ron Mueller, Ken Oglesby, Rob Daniel, Jeff Susdorf, Dave Lebyrk. **Second Row:** Kevin Roof, Dan Johnson, Matt Lux, Brian Dogan, Cliff Kissinger, Keith Domke, Jeff Neely, Steve Carichoff, Mike Jones, Bret Marcinkowski, Ray Kluth. **Third Row:** Gary Kukulies, Mark Manatrey,

Todd Albert, Tim Delotte, Mitch Merle, Mike Leveritt, Drew Armstrong, Paul Choker, Dan Walker, Troy Hartwig, Bill Karcher, Scott Will. **Fourth Row:** Mark Luther, Dan Copsy, Dan Hanchar, Dirk Bengel, Jeff Corsbie, Jay Gebhardt, Brian Bell, Tom Bolde, Kevin Leffew, Tony Priano, Tom Jakab. **Fifth Row:** Bob Strong, Mike Brown, Bill Wright, Corby Leininger, Doug Uridel, Craig McCarran, Tim Thoreson, Tim Leveritt,

Andy Eldridge, Chris Carr, Bruce Pauley, Bill Thomas. **Back Row:** Principal Garth Johnson, Athletic Director C.J. Doane, Trainer Rod Moore, Manager Craig Kenworthy, Coach John Cook, Coach Chuck Stanier, Coach Mark Watts, Coach Pat Murphy, Team Physician Dr. Robert Stoltz, Coach Sid Reggie, Head Coach Mark Hoffman.



"I sprint" means end of single-wing era

People find it difficult changing neighborhoods, as well as changing schools, but the varsity football team found out this year that it is just as hard to change their format.

For 15 years Valpo fans have been used to seeing the VHS gridders lining up in the single wing offense, but Head Coach Mark Hoffman brought with him in his second year of coaching a new type of offense that many of the players found strange. Coach Hoffman commented that the offense had trouble adjusting to the plays with their handoffs and their blocking, but after a lot of practice they found themselves playing some tough football.

Valpo opened with a loss to an always tough Munster team and then followed that up with three straight wins including an exciting overtime victory over defending state champion Portage 10-3. The Vikes lost five of their last six games, but were in contention in everyone of them. Coach Hoffman said that Valpo played two of their best games, as well as two of their most exciting games in unfortunate losses to Merrillville and Hobart.

Along with the new offense the Vikes entered their second year of the 50 defense, and showed what a little experience can do.

Senior Greg Loeffler led the defense with 98 tackles and as a result was named to the first team of the all DAC squad. Along with Loeffler, Valpo's leading receiver, Dave Lebryk, punter Dan Johnson, and kicker Keith Domke were named to the same team.

The exciting play of the Vikes, both on offense and defense was not the only highlight of the 1978 season. Mike Jones, the team speedster, set a new state record for returning kick-offs for touchdowns with four, and as a result was named MVP for the team.

Coach Hoffman is looking for an improvement in the execution of the new offensive plays next year because of the experience that the Vikes got this year. He also expects an improvement of his team's 4-6 record.



Kicker Keith Domke puts his foot into a 22-yard field goal against the LaPorte Slicers.

In a tense moment Viking defenders Tim Deiotte and Ron Mueller concentrate on the upcoming play.

Rick Young, VHS tailback, dives toward the ball for a short gain against Portage.

GIRLS' GOLF TEAM — Pam Pavacik, Jan Chrustowski, Sue Vondran, Jane Lyons, Shannon Murphy, Eva Lundewall, Lauralyn Bengel, Linda Brown, Barb Wiggins, Wendy Horwitz.

Barb Wiggins smashes a crunching blow to the fairway during a match.



GIRLS' GOLF

M.C. Elston/Marquette	VHS
Andrean/Munster	W
New Prairie	W
M.C. Rogers	W
LaPorte	L
Portage/Chesterton	W
Merrillville	W
Hobart	W
SECTIONALS	1st
REGIONALS	7th

Season Record: 10 wins — 2 losses



Shannon Murphy, the team's most consistent golfer, tackles the sand traps.



Experience lacks, but victory prevails

Oh no, I sliced it. Maybe if my second shot is good, I could get a little closer. There it is — that's better — Now if my putt goes straight maybe — it's going — going — YES, I did it, a par!!!

The style of play for the girls golf team was filled with surprises and turning events. Compiling a record of 10-2, the golfers proved that the loss of many of their star players would not damage the team's performance. After winning the sectionals and placing 7th in the regionals, Coach Nancy Hutton said she was, "pleased and proud of the accomplishments this team has made because they did lack the competitive experience."

Spurring the golfers on during the season was record breaker Shannon Murphy who carded a 39 to set a new school record for front nine play at Forest Park. Others who came through in the clutch when they needed a big win, especially over Michigan City Rogers to capture sole possession of 2nd place in DAC play were Jane Lyons and Pam Pavacik.

Returning lettermen for next year are: Pam Pavacik, Sue Vondran, Jane Lyons, Eva Lundewall and Wendy Horwitz.

Senior Linda Brown practices her putting before a crucial match against Gary Andrian.

On the edge of the fringe, Jane Lyons makes it look easy as she rolls the ball up next to the pin.





CROSS COUNTRY TEAM — Front Row: Karl Abraham, Dave Hanna, Greg Garrard, John Unguraif, Jeff Wehling, Randy Sienkowski, Randy Fleenor. **Back Row:** Coach Skip Collins, Chris Hansen, Jim Startt, Scott Morrison, Dave Gertsmeier, Tom Hayden, Mike Krieger, Rod Rumford. **Not Pictured:** Pat Noonan.

CROSS COUNTRY

	VHS	OPP
M.C. Marquette	18	47
Horace Mann	21	36
Kouts	15	46
Hobart	28	27
M.C. Rogers	24	31
Portage	47	15
Merrillville	23	33
LaPorte	25	30
Chesterton	34	21
Hammond High	43	17

INVITATIONALS

	VHS
Hobart	7th
Duneland Conference	4th
Sectionals	5th

Dual Record 6-4

Showing good running form, junior Jeff Wehling captures another Valpo first against LaPorte.



'Ifs' slow down performance and morale

Historians often dwell upon the outcome of a great battle or a specific event by asking themselves the great question "if". "If George III had allowed the colonies more self-rule would there be a United States today?" or "If Hitler had gone ahead with the production of the jet plane would the Allies still have won the Second World War?"

The cross country team had a good year but it could have been better "if" Pat Noonan were healthy, stated Coach Skip Collins. The injury of the consistent Noonan caused a set back to the team, but there were still bright spots in the season.

The dedicated runners of Coach Collins compiled a season record of 6-4 by working hard through the whole season. By running 75 miles a week they worked to get in condition.

For some this practice paid off. Junior Jeff Wehling took up the slack when Noonan was injured during the season and brought in a lot of needed points, plus in the process qualified for the regionals. Although he was injured, Noonan's reputation earned him a spot on the All-Conference Team.

One of the highlights of the season was the dual meet victory over Michigan City Rogers. Other highpoints of the season were the performances given by two outstanding sophomores, Chris Daly and Randy Sienkowski, as they burned up the opponents' courses in quick times.

Looking ahead toward next year, Coach Collins summed it up optimistically, "We hope to be stronger next year because of the large number of promising underclassmen."



Junior Scott Morrison rests after a hard and grueling meet against Chesterton.

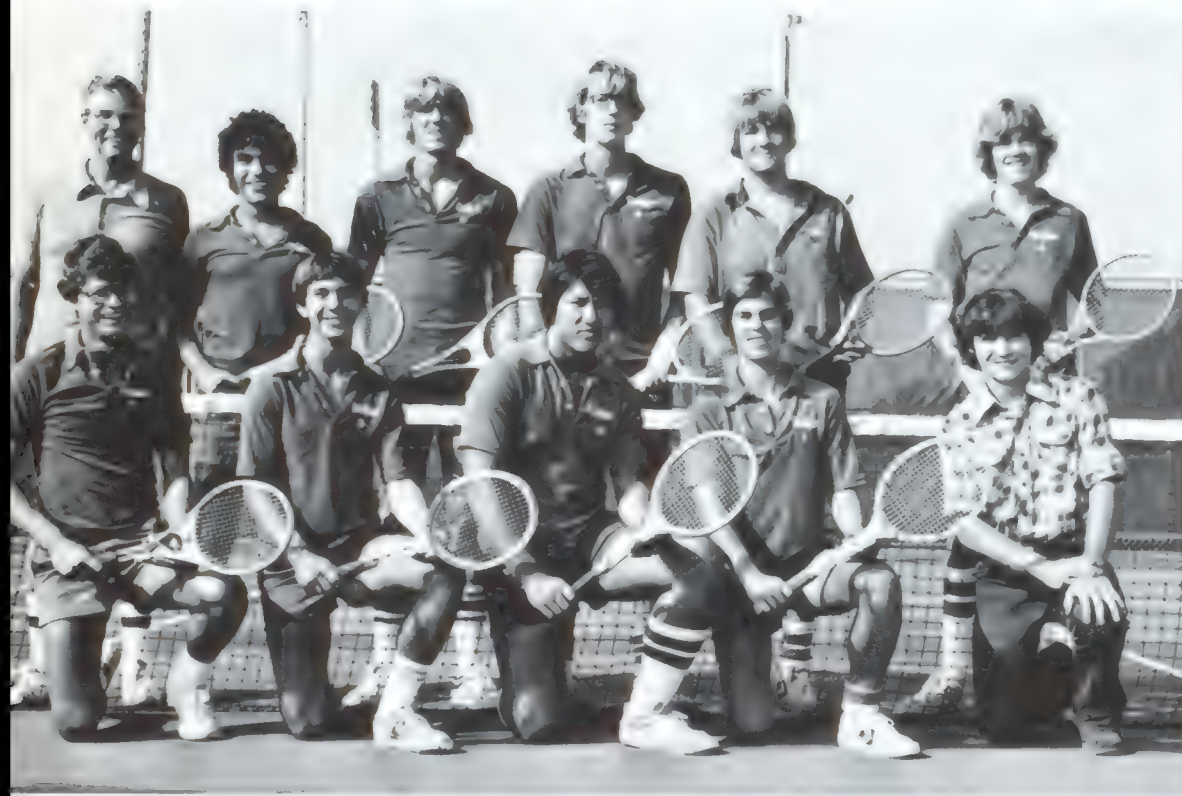
Injured at the Rogers meet, star runner Pat Noonan sits out another match in frustration.

Exhaustion reflected on his face, Randy Sienkowski finishes among the leaders.



Showing fierce determination, junior Dave Koenig stings a backhand toward his opponent.

VARSITY TENNIS TEAM — Front Row: Paul Baepler, Co-Captains Dave Mason and Rich Eagen, Steve Pitts, Manager Tom Sawyer. **Back Row:** Coach Steve Doak; Ernesto Cercas, Mark Keller, Phil Miller, Ken Krebs, Dave Koenig.



BOYS' VARSITY TENNIS

	VHS	OPP
Chesterton	4	1
M.C. Rogers	2	3
S.B. Adams	3	2
Munster	0	5
Portage	3	2
Merrillville	4	1
Hobart	3	2
LaPorte	1	4
Crown Point	1	4
Chesterton	4	1
M.C. Rogers	3	2
Culver	0	5
Merrillville	5	0
Hobart	4	1
Portage	1	4
LaPorte	2	3

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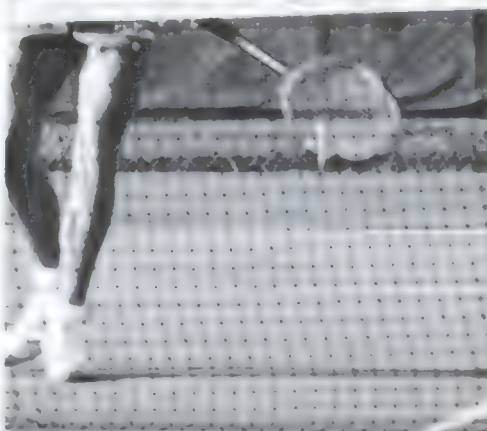
Ft. Wayne Snyder	3	2
West Laffayette	2	3
Peru	0	5

SECTIONALS

LaPorte	1	4
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Season Record: 10 wins — 10 losses

Senior Paul Baepler shows the look of concentration as he executes a perfect overhead smash.



Bumps and bruises pay off for Viking netmen

Leon Spinks rolled with the punches to get the heavy weight championship from Muhammed Ali. The Montreal Canadians took a beating from the Boston Bruins to win the Stanley Cup, and the Varsity Tennis Team took a few lumps from their opponents on the way to a 10-10 season overall and an 8-4 season in the Duneland Athletic Conference.

The Vikes found out this year that anything worth having is worth suffering for. According to Coach Steve Doak, "The team faced the toughest schedule in the history of the school." The VHS netters opened their season with a victory over Chesterton, and went on to face three former state champions in a row. The boys in green boldly marched onto the courts and proceeded to defeat the Goliath South Bend Adams team only to fall at the hands of Michi-

gan City Rogers and Munster.

Freshman Steve Pitts (13-7) and Junior Ken Krebs (12-9), who had the best records on the team, joined in victorious battles against highly ranked Fort Wayne Snyder, and sectional champion Portage in two of the team's best performances.

Junior Mark Keller kicked and scratched his way into the semi-finals against the top players in the state, when the tennis team attended the Lafayette Jeff Tourney. The Vikings also participated in a tournament at Peru, Indiana where they captured the match against Fort Wayne Snyder.

Post-season play found the Vikes failing for the first time in five years to reach to sectional finals. Coach Doak was not disappointed and is looking forward to next year with high optimism.



JV TENNIS TEAM — Front Row: Kurt Ward, Paul Madrid, Mike Mutka, Lance Nightingale. **Second Row:** Tim Turner, Mike Kluth, Steve Kobak, Bill Lemmons, Coach Jerry Hager. **Back**

Row: Dave Frieske, Alex Gariup, Ross MacLennan, Chip Kuhrts, Jeff Lamberson, Mark Marenick.

VHS doubles player Rich Eagen lunges for a forehand volley, while his partner Phil Miller watches in anticipation.



VARSITY VOLLEYBALL TEAM — **Front Row:** Brigid Bartelmo, Mary Shaffer, **Second Row:** Kim Carichoff, Sue Slingsby, Dawn Hernandez, Janet Dommer. **Back Row:** Coach Doug McGriff, JoJo Trapp, Judy Edgecomb, Debbie Lahti, Judy Findling, Millie Marshall, Ann Crowley.



After a perfect set from teammate Laura Uiman, (20), sophomore Kim Lovett spikes it home.

With teammates Debbie Lahti and Sue Slingsby anxiously watching, junior Ann Crowley sets up for the spike.

Sophomore Valerie Breen dinks the ball over the net against Crown Point while her teammates look on.

Junior Judy Findling shows off the style that made her one of the leading servers of the varsity team.



Reaction is the name of the game

"We had a tough season, and played a lot of tough teams. Things didn't go our way," remarked Coach Doug McGriff. The teams' hard luck was reflected on the Varsity's 6-12 record, and the J.V. record of 6-10, but the season records can be deceiving. The volleyball teams played hard, and gave it everything they had. They spent hours of practice each day working on basic passing, spiking, and serving skills, along with going over their defensive and offensive strategies.

Debbie Lahti, the only team member to make all conference stated, "We were fundamentally sound, and

we had a lot of depth. The people on the bench were just as good as the ones on the court."

Coach McGriff stated, "A lot of people get the wrong idea about volleyball. It's not a popular sport because it is a very difficult sport to play." The game of volleyball is mostly reactions. A player must react quickly to the ball, and to the actions of the other players. Volleyball takes a high amount of skill, and both teams had the skill. Probably the major problem with the volleyball teams was that they got behind early, and always had to play catch up.

The offense the teams used was

an older style offense that confused other teams. The offense made it difficult for advanced, more sophisticated teams because it made them slow down their momentum.

Momentum, along with enthusiasm, and the ability to react quickly are probably the three most important qualities of a volleyball team. Both teams were high on enthusiasm, and they all had the ability to react quickly. If the season records were based solely on enthusiasm and reactions, both teams might have gone unbeaten.



GIRLS' VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

Knox	L
Crown Point	W
Hammond Gavit	L
Munster	L
Portage	L
Highland	L
LaPorte	L
Calumet	L
Chesterton	W
M.C. Rogers	L
Merrillville	L
North Judson	L
Hobart	W
Morton	L
Washington Twp.	W
Westville	W
SECTIONALS	
M.C. Elston	W
M.C. Marquette	L

SEASON RECORD: 6-12

GIRLS' J.V. VOLLEYBALL

Knox	W
Crown Point	L
Hammond Gavit	L
Munster	L
Portage	L
Highland	L
LaPorte	L
Calumet	W
Chesterton	L
M.C. Rogers	L
Merrillville	L
North Judson	W
Hobart	W
Morton	L
Washington Twp.	W
Westville	W

SEASON RECORD: 6-10

JUNIOR VARSITY VOLLEYBALL TEAM —

Front Row: Kim Micciche, Melanie Redding, Chris Marshall. **Second Row:** Pam Powell, Laura Ullman, Dalynn Valette, Denise Howard, Jennifer Goulding. **Back Row:** Coach Wilma Detwiler, Megan Buckley, Casia Doane, Sue Heimberg, Valarie Breen, Kim Lovett, Karen Molitoris, Manger Tammy Magnetti.

Senior Lisa Frost extends her body to touch the water at the end of her dive.



GIRLS' SWIMMING TEAM — Front Row: Sandy Washek, Lisa Frost, Ellie Sachs, Jennifer Bratton, Sue Roberts, Cindy Willis, Joann DeMeo, Kati Robinson. **Second Row:** Becky Redelman, Lisa Sumner, Becky Donley, Nancy Howard, Margaret Kendall, Joann Mischenko, Tracy Redding, Andrea Medema, Maggie Potis, Jane Poncher. **Third Row:** Asst. Coach Tom Rice, Julie Neeley,

Ann Stratton, Denise Kendricks, Linda Sizen, Jean Carlson, Lynette Banos, Cheryl Vocke, Louise Neis, Toni Hienen, Beth Dugan, Coach Ann Davies. **Back Row:** Julie Bickel, Kathy Garret, Janet Kendall, Laura Neis, Gwen Craig, Lisa Douglas, Autumn Butt, Brenda White, Mary Farrell, Eileen Neis, Becky Evans, Stacy Trowbridge, Lynn Kenworthy.



Third time proves a charmer as coach uncorks winning vintage

Although it would be an absurd thought to think of a slab of cheese or a bottle of wine being the coach of the girls' swimming team, the three have similar characteristics.

Both cheese and wine get better with age, and so do coaches. Head Coach Ann Davies, now in her third year at VHS, brought up a young group of swimmers, and formed not only physical champions but mental champions out of them as well. Davies and Diving Coach Tom Rice injected a type of enthusiasm into the swimmers that had never before been seen at VHS. The coaching duo worked the girls into becoming good swimmers by practicing three times a week before school and every night after school. The girls learned to attack each meet with the teamwork that had won matches for them previously.

The season was highlighted by many exciting victories, including a 70 point

victory over Hobart, 117-47. Led by the performances of two-time Duneland Conference MVP Louise Neis, Ellie Sachs, Eileen Neis, divers Lisa Frost, Maggie Potis, and Joanne Mischenko, the Vikes compiled a very respectable 9-3 record.

By the end of the season the girls were in top condition and ready for the statewide tournament. The team had high hopes as it captured the sectional and conference crowns, but saw its dream crumble as it took 16th in the state finals.

At the state meet several girls placed well individually. Joanne Mischenko tied for 13th in diving, Ellie Sachs took 10th and 7th in the 200 and 500 free respectively, Louise Neis came out 11th in the 200 IM, and 8th in the 100 free. The 400 free relay team of Ellie Sachs, Eileen Neis, Lynda Sizen, and Louise Neis captured 9th place.





GIRLS' SWIMMING

	VHS	OPP
S.B. Adams	118	70
M.C. Rogers	106	78
Hobart	117	47
Merrillville	84	88
S.B. Clay	86	85
Chesterton	94	78
Portage	111	61
Munster	67	102
LaPorte	100	72
Crown Point	81	91
Mishawaka Marian	105	61
Highland	109	63
Merrillville Relays	5th	
Conference	1st	
Sectionals	1st	
State	16th	

Season Record: 9-3

Joanne Mischanko performs a twist dive during a meet against South Bend Clay.



Several VHS swimmers join in a rally after an exciting victory over South Bend Clay.

Eileen Neis, VHS butterfly specialist, pulls toward the finish in a meet against Chesterton.

Working its way up the ladder, but still taking care of business

When someone comes out of college and goes into business, he always has to start out at the bottom and work his way up. The same situation exists at the VHS Basketball Company.

Players fresh out of 9th grade have to work up the ranks before they can make the top — the varsity — and that is the purpose of the J.V. and Sophomore basketball teams.

The J.V. basketball team was one of the strongest in years. Boasting of a tremendous 15-5 record (8-1 in the DAC), second year coach Bob Punter was enthusiastic about the season. For the second consecutive year Punter's team was the top J.V. team in the Dunesland Conference.

Using a "Run and Jump" defense, the J.V.'s captured 11 straight victories from December 16 to February 16, including their fifth consecutive J.V. tournament victory. At the season's close

team captains Ron Mueller and Mark Keller took the awards for assists leader and top rebounder respectively.

While the Sophomore team only carded an 8-8 record overall, they were 6-3 from the beginning of the year, and got stronger as the season progressed.

Ninth year coach Lew Rhinehart said that this year's team was balanced and capable of turning early weaknesses into strengths, which they did.

The scoring on the team was divided between five players who each scored 70 points or more. This balance of scoring which was the result of their "Motion Offense", helped the sophomores defeat three teams at the end of the year which had previously beaten them.

Both coaches expect to have good teams next year with the influx of new sophomore players.



J.V. BASKETBALL TEAM — Front Row: Donnie Raymond, Eddie Solomon, Steve Miller, Ron Mueller, Daryle Keller. Back Row: Tim Eckert, Mark Keller, Coach Bob Punter, Jerry Millender, Pete Bray.

While Bill Hess and Randy Sienkowski wait for the point, Dave Brown attempts to shoot over the outstretched arms of the Kouts defender.



J.V. BASKETBALL

	VHS	OPP
Highland	43	30
Gary Roosevelt	32	47
Hammond	36	41
Chesterton	42	36
Merrillville	45	51
Plymouth	41	52
Portage	42	33
M.C. Rogers	52	30
Chesterton	56	38
Hammond Morton	51	40
LaPorte	51	40
M.C. Rogers	58	40
Lew Wallace	55	36
Portage	48	47
Lafayette Jeff	51	39
Hobart	49	44
Munster	56	53
Crown Point	57	58
Logansport	52	38
North Judson	66	61

Season Record: 15-5



In a game against the Chesterton Trojans, sophomore Eddie Solomon shoots a jump shot.

Daryle Keller drives up and over the Trojan defenders for two points.



SOPHOMORE BASKETBALL

	VHS	OPP
Boone Grove	48	27
North Judson	43	42
Munster (OT)	50	51
Merrillville	33	58
LaPorte	38	40
Merrillville	38	80
Hebron	46	30
LaPorte (OT)	39	38
Portage	43	45
Hebron (Forfeit)	W	
North Judson (OT)	53	61
Hobart	43	27
Munster	49	41
Portage	43	45

Tourney

Munster	34	54
LaPorte	44	38

Season Record: 8-8

SOPHOMORE BASKETBALL TEAM — Front

Row: Dave Brown, Jeff Criswell, Brian Boetel, Bill Hess, Randy Sienkowski. **Back Row:** Coach Lew Rhinehart, Jim Benton, Dave Birky, Chris Stark, Jon Thomas, Bruce Lauderback.





Senior center Jerry Gott, (6'7"), shows his jumping ability by easily laying-in two points.

'Bench warmers' aid victory romp

Just like a Swiss Army knife, with each of its separate tools doing its own job and yet complementing each other, this year's Varsity Basketball team had a lot of depth and versatility. The Vikings worked together as a team, using a team oriented offense called the "motion" offense. But what gave the Vikings their best advantage was the quality of the substitutes as well as the starters.

"A lot of our success was due to our strong bench. We had a lot of depth," remarked Skip Collins, varsity coach. Collins also stated that he had a substitute on the bench that was just as good as the one playing, with the exception of Brad Blastick. Jeff Furlin, Tim Deiotte, Phil Miller, and Dave Le-bryk came strong off the bench, always ready to help the team.

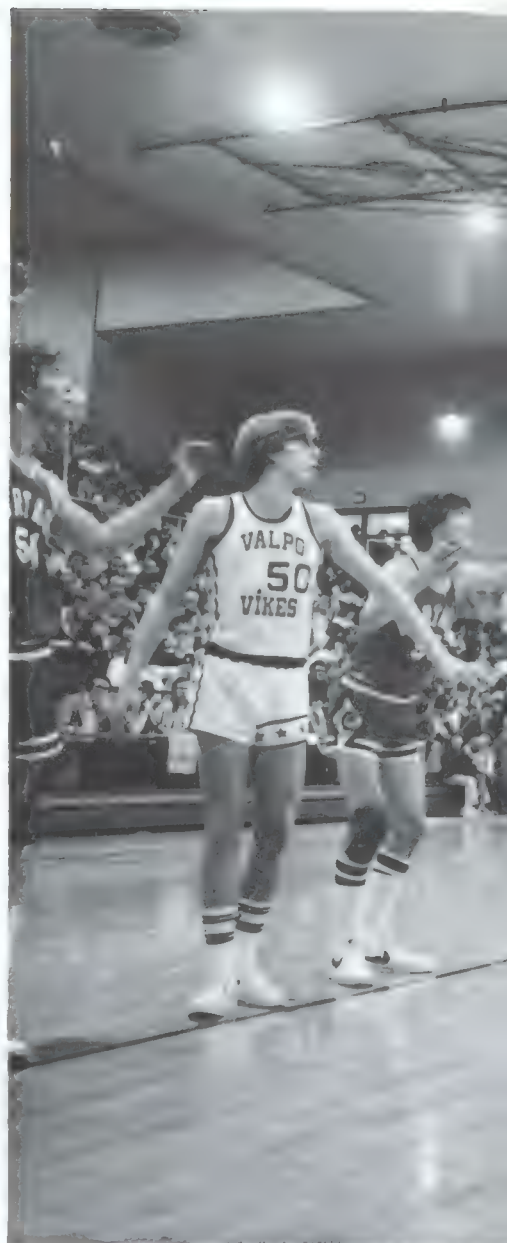
Blastick again paced the Vikings with 504 points. He finished his high school career with 1029 total points, second only to Joe Otis in Viking history. Blastick averaged 20.2 points per game this year, which led the conference. Blastick said, "I think we had a good season, and with a few breaks we could easily have been 18-2 or 19-1 and rated highly in the state polls going into sectionals." He added, "I think that everybody had a good time during the season, and playing in the post-season tournament is an experience I will never forget."

Also contributing much to the offense was senior Mike Brown, and sophomore Rob Harden. Blastick and Brown were also the top rebounders, along with Jerry Gott and Phil Miller. Senior guard Gary Krueger proved to be the most valuable defender. He came on strong offensively during the home stretch of the season, helping the team when it slumped.

In sectionals, the Vikings fought off late surges by their opponents and won all three games to capture the crown. And in the South Bend regional, the following weekend, the Vikings smashed Oregon Davis by 28 points, but then lost the nightcap by five points to a tough Michigan City Rogers team, 68-63.

Every man proved to be valuable to Collins in one way or another. Even though the Vikings boasted much individual talent, they worked together as a team, finishing with 15-10 record.

Before the half begins, Coach Skip Collins gives the Vikings some last minute instructions.



BOYS' VARSITY BASKETBALL

	VHS	OPP
Highland	85	88 (2 OT)
Gary Roosevelt	72	74
Hammond	61	82
Chesterton	88	79
Merrillville	83	79 (OT)
Plymouth	67	58
Elston	65	67
La Porte	66	69
Chesterton	66	69
Hammond Morton	53	42
La Porte	71	63
Rogers	63	67
Gary Wallace	72	65
Lafayette Jeff	70	66
Portage	64	63
Hobart	66	63
Munster	53	55
Crown Point	56	51
Logansport	58	60 (3 OT)
North Judson	58	59

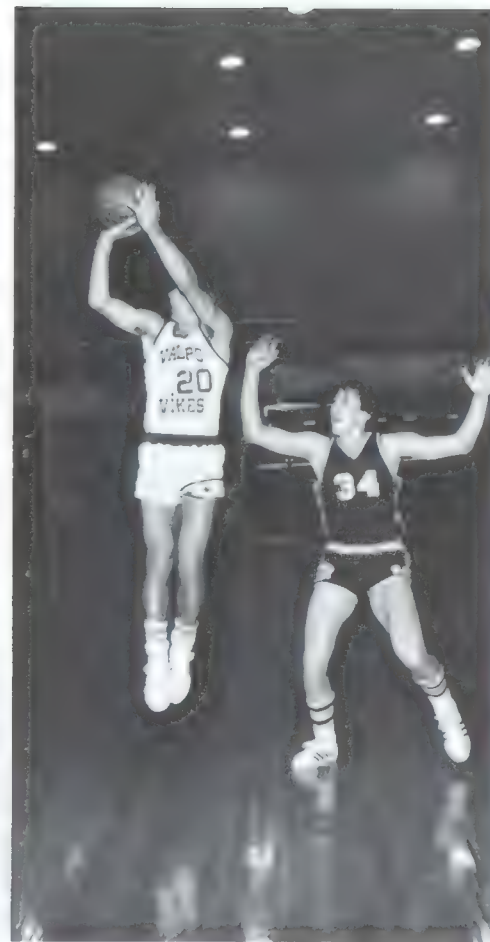
SECTIONALS

	VHS	OPP
Chesterton	60	57 (OT)
Portage	65	60
Boone Grove	59	57

REGIONALS

	VHS	OPP
Oregon Davis	62	54
Rogers	63	68

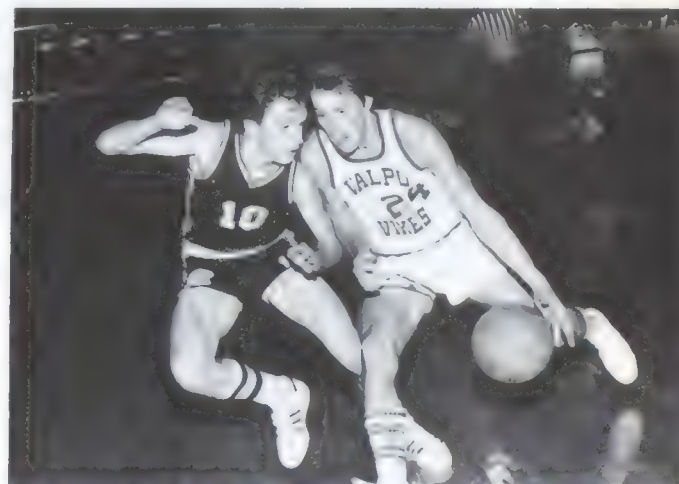
Season Record: 15-10



Putting up a picture-perfect jump shot, senior guard Gary Krueger scores for the Vikings.

With five minutes remaining in the second game of sectionals, senior Mike Brown calmly puts up a free throw with center Phil Miller and guard Rob Harden looking on.

In an attempt to score, senior Brad Blastick drives the baseline on his Chesterton opponent.



VARSITY TEAM — 1979 Valparaiso Sectional Champions
Front Row: Varsity Cheerleaders: Cyndi Huseman, Ruth Lohmeyer, Nancy Oliver, Lisa Mitchell, Pam Harbold. **Second Row:** Jeff Furlin, Tim Deiotte, Mike Smith, Gary Krueger, Rob Harden, Coach Skip Collins. **Third Row:** J.V. Coach Bob Punter, Manager John Phillips, Soph. Coach Lew Rhinehart, Doug Powell, Mike Brown, Dave Pursley, Dave Lebyrk, Phil Miller, Jerry Gott, Brad Blastick.

J.V. sophomore forward Missy Eaton drives the lane and scores two more for the Vikings.



Outmaneuvering her Crown Point opponents, three year letterman Judy Edgecomb easily puts it in for two.

GIRLS' VARSITY BASKETBALL

	VHS	OPP
Crown Point	57	31
Lafayette Jeff	59	45
Hammond Morton	39	36
M.C. Rogers	45	60
LaPorte	39	41
Benton Central	54	50
Rochester	32	51
Highland	50	51
Chesterton	58	32
Lake Central	45	21
Portage	56	36
Munster	51	36
Hobart	84	31
Merrillville	57	46
SECTIONAL		
Portage	53	26
Chesterton	54	56
Washington Township	64	28
REGIONAL		
Benton Central	43	47

Season Record: 14-5



GIRLS J.V. BASKETBALL

	VHS	OPP
Crown Point	22	14
Lafayette Jeff	39	27
Hammond Morton	32	29
M.C. Rogers	35	45
LaPorte	31	36
Highland	32	23
North Judson	33	32
Chesterton	22	36
Lake Central	27	14
Portage	37	19
Munster	24	27
Hobart	41	11
Merrillville	24	23

Season Record: 9-4

JUNIOR VARSITY TEAM — **Front Row:** Sue Telschow, Dawn Schueler, Jody Gutt, Jennifer Goulding, Kim Rudd, **Second Row:** Kris Marshall, Melanie Redding, Missy Eaton, Julie Neely, Laurie Lambert, Manager Michelle Hazlett. **Third Row:** Coach Chris Prickett, Megan Buckley, Kasia Doane, Valerie Breen, Cathy Hillenbrand, Suzi Phillips.



Vikes prove unbeatable on home court

Not since Coach John Wooden led his UCLA Bruins to an unprecedented 88 consecutive wins has the basketball world ever witnessed a feat like the VHS Girls Basketball Team accomplished. Coach Ciciora and his fighting Viqueens had a 12-0 home court record, which maintained the team's home winning streak that began December 7, 1977.

Keeping this record intact on the home floor wasn't easy. Injuries to Lisa Kenyon and Mary Jo Anleitner hurt the team because these two would have contributed to both the offense and defense.

Helping to compile a final record of 11-4 were starters: Sue Watts, Debbie Lahti, Leigh Stokes, Judy Herren, and Judy Edgecomb. Also a strong bench contributed to the team's sensational record. The Viqueens had a tough battle but defeated Portage, Chesterton, and Washington township to capture the Sectional crown. Benton Central, however, sneaked by the team and crushed their hopes for the Regional crown.

To put a perspective on the season as a whole, Coach Ciciora stated, "I've had more fun coaching this team than in my 22 years of coaching. The girls have been cooperative and hardworking, and I'm proud of what we've accomplished."

Miss Chris Prickett and her Junior Varsity Girls Basketball Team scrapped and fought to a respectable 9-4 record. Sophomore Missy Eaton lead the team with 83 rebounds and Lauri Lambert drilled in 86 total offensive points.

VARSITY TEAM — Front Row: Kathy Schultz, Lisa Kenyon, Janet Dommer, Leigh Stokes, Millie Marshall. **Second Row:** Mary Jo Anleitner, Judy Herren, Rorie Raelson, Judy Edgecomb. **Back Row:** Coach Dale Ciciora, Sue Watts, Shelley Eaton, Debbie Lahti, Judy Findling, Manager Michelle Hazlett.

Showing the strong Valpo defense, Debbie Lahti, Judy Edgecomb, and Sue Watts bring down the rebound.

Seniors use big brother appeal to win

At one point or another in a person's life he or she has looked up to a big brother or sister. Thinking back you could remember how they taught you to ride your first bike or skip your first stone across a pond. Many times you wondered if there was anything they couldn't do. It also seemed that they were always there when you needed them, giving you advice to solve one of your worldly problems. Sure sometimes their advice or criticism wasn't always appreciated, but you found out later that every little tip or trick they taught you helped you to mature and grow strong. Well based on the same principle the seniors used their experience and wisdom to help the Varsity wrestlers post a 9-4 record.

Coach John Cook explained, "We had good records out of our seniors and that was the key to our success, and their leadership was also vital to the teams performance."

Two seniors who showed that persistence and experience pays off were Jay Piatek and Jeff Neely. Piatek sported a 24-3 record while Neely was 15-10.

Both took their records as far as the Semi-State meet. Piatek finished up 3rd and Neely lost to the defending state champ. The Varsity team as a whole finished second in both the Calumet Tourney and the Sectionals, while finishing up 3rd in the Duneland Conference and 4th in the Regionals.

One of the highlights of the season was when the Viking Grapplers beat Portage, a first in the history of Valpo wrestling.

The Junior Varsity ended its season with a 10-2 record. Three matmen who went through the season with undefeated records were: Doug Phillips, Rich Roberts and Jim Bratsakis.

Three-year letterman Jay Piatek uses his knowledge and technique to control his Hobart opponent.



Although tired from his grueling match, senior Mickey Campbell wins over his Hobart opponent.

Senior matman Tom Bolde gets last minute instructions from Coach John Cook.





WRESTLING TEAM — Front Row: Joe Hutton, Doug Phillips, Chris Miller, Mark Van Hook, John Hay, Drew Armstrong, Mike Krieger, Greg Emig. **Second Row:** Scott Snodgrass, Todd Trowbridge, Steve Ikeda, Bill Karcher, Cliff Kissinger, Del Pittman, Kevin

Knoerschild, Jim Bratsakis. **Third Row:** Gary Starkey, Kevin Brophy, Jay Piatek, Mickey Campbell, Kevin Leffew, Tom Bolde, Jeff Neely, Brian Dogan, Dave Farrow, Steve Kobak, Mike Bartelmo, Fred Pittman.

Varsity Wrestling

	VHS	OPP
Munster	30	31
Andean	47	14
Kankakee Valley	53	9
Wallace	53	8
Hobart	13	39
Chesterton	38	20
Roosevelt	49	11
Portage	29	27
LaPorte	11	40
Hammond High	23	35
Hammond Clark	43	13
M.C. Rogers	52	12
Merrillville	31	25
SECTIONAL	2nd	

Season Record: 9-4



Attempting to upend his Hobart opponent, senior Cliff Kissinger tries for a takedown.

Sophomore Kevin Leffew is declared the winner after a close match against Chesterton.



During a meet against Griffith, junior diver, Bruce Morrison performs a back-layout dive.

BOY'S SWIM TEAM — Front Row: Adria Platt, Dean Clifford, Steve Schuk, Kunio Kasahara, Jim Pyle, Jerome Troy, Mike Johnson, John Warwick, Mark Reiner, Coach Charles E. "Skip" Bird. **Second Row:** Joy Lasky, Bruce Steckler, Phil Glynn, Bill Thomas, Paul Smith, Paul Sommers, Jim Meyer, Marty Filipowski, Craig McCarron, Mark Mavity. **Third Row:** Nora Hagans, Roger Runk, Jeff Peterson, Paul Anderson, Mike Garret, Nathan Bretscher, Todd Bickel, Mark Schenck, Brian Tonner, Jeff Harms, Don Liddle. **Back Row:** Louis Neis, Andy Snyder, Dave Dipert, Ed Konlar, Eric Charon, Jeff Rutt, John Schmucker, Mike Tonner, Elliot Glynn, Brian Sinclair, Tim Dust.



Letterman Craig McCarron exhibits the form that earned him the State Championship in the 100 fly.



Psychos wind up, swim downstate

Picture yourself sitting in a dark corner, your fingers spread apart on your abdomen, and your eyes rolled back into your head, while a faint voice in the background recites the numbers from 20 to 1 in descending order. Suddenly, you have a vision placed into your head and your body is relaxed, but as you gradually awaken you feel a sudden rush of energy. You've just experienced the feeling of psycho-cybernetics, a new technique of mind training employed by Coach Skip Bird with the Boys' Swim Team.

This system of mental rehearsal seemed to work for the Vikes as they captured seven of their first eight matches. Star swimmers Craig McCarron, who won the state championship in the 100 fly, Nathan Bretscher, and Mark Mavity led the team to a final record of 9-5.

Thirteen year veteran coach Bird stressed the tactics of psycho-cybernetics strongest toward the end of the season, and as a result wound up with his team peaking for the statewide tournament. At the close of the year Valpo sent four swimmers and one diver to the finals.

At the state championship Valpo took ninth place as a result of some fine efforts that were put in by Nathan Bretscher, who placed ninth in the 500 and the 200 IM, Mark Mavity, who took ninth in the 200, and Craig McCarron, who finished ninth in the 50 and won the 100 fly in a new school record. These three and freshman Roger Runk combined to form the Valpo free relay team which took seventh. Dave Dipert also qualified for the state diving finals, but failed to place.



As Eric Charon touches the wall, junior Craig McCarron starts the third leg of the Medley Relay.

To excel in the freestyle, trophy award-winner Nathan Bretscher relies upon perfect form, practice, and natural talent.



Depth charge vaults jumpers into title camp

"It was one of the best seasons we've ever had!" exclaimed Lori Walker, gymnastics coach. For the first time in Walker's four-year coaching career at VHS, the Viking gymnasts captured first place in the Duneland Conference by tying Merrillville for the title.

Walker said that everyone on the team deserved much credit for their hard work and dedication, but she especially praised Julie Poncher, Holly Adams, Pam Harbold, Mickey Mannel, Nancy Howard, and Debbie Brady. Brady picked up the highest single event score of the season, receiving a 9.45. Brady also was the highest optional scorer in the sectionals, even though she suffered from a knee injury part of the season. Injuries were a constant plague to Walker this year. Along with Brady, Erica Reggie, Holly Adams, Kim Dutcher, and Kathy Gee suffered substantial injuries.

"Injuries always hurt a team," Walker said, "We're just lucky that we had enough depth to cover it," she added.

Even though gymnastics is an individual sport, the Viqueens worked together and had the feeling that gymnastics is a team sport. Walker was very satisfied with the team's performance, and it was the third time in four years that the team captured the sectional title.

In the regionals, the Vikes ran into a little trouble and finished second. However, sophomore Mickey Mannel and junior Holly Adams went on and competed in the state competition at the intermediate level. Adams finished fourth in the vault, and sixth in the uneven bars while Mannel placed first in the vault and second in the all around totals.



Sophomore Erica Reggie shows her sense of balance and talent on the balance beam.

In the state meet, sophomore Mickey Mannel won the vaulting event and placed second all around, losing the title by one tenth of a point.





Before a practice session, the gymnastics team warms up with exercise stretching.

GYMNASTICS TEAM — Front Row: Mickey Mannel, Holly Adams, Pam Harbold, Julie Poncher, Mary Burt, Jamie Dutcher, Dana Redman, Kim Dutcher. **Back Row:** Adria Medema,

Debbie Brady, Karen Ozyk, Erica Reggie, Mary Comeford, Kathy Gee, Lori Armstrong, Coach Lori Walker. **Missing from photo:** Maggie Potis, Nancy Howard, Alison Howard, Maggie Delumpa, Coach Willa Detwiler.



GIRLS' GYMNASTICS

OPPONENT	B*	I*	O*
Griffith	W	W	W
Hobart	W	W	W
M.C. Rogers	W	W	W
Highland		L	W
La Porte	W	W	W
Chesterton	W	W	W
Portage	W	W	W
M.C. Elston		W	W
Merrillville	W	W	L
Conference	1st	2nd	2nd
Overall Conference — tied for first with Merrillville			

Sectionals 1st
Regionals 2nd

B* — Beginning I* — Intermediate O* — Optional

Getting used to her routine, sophomore Mary Burt practices on the uneven parallel bars.

Varsity Baseball Team — Front Row: Statistician Suzanne Morse, Jeff Susdorf, Greg Winters, Tom Sawyer, Jon Gold, Steve Carichoff, Statistician Jeannie Goulding. **Second Row:** Dennis Spoor, Bill Jones, Dan Skinner, Tom Heron, Rich Phillips, Tim Deiotte. **Third Row:** Coach Pat Murphy, Jeff Neeley, Dave Lebyrk, Jeff Furlin, Mike Duncan, Greg Lindy, Coach Charles "Biff" Geiss.

Varsity Baseball

	OPP	VHS
South Central	3/6	4/2
Merrillville	2	6
LaPorte	7	2
Hobart	2	0
Hebron	4	5
M.C. Rogers	5	1
Chesterton	10	9
Merrillville	6	4
Portage	11	2
LaPorte	5	0
Hobart	11	0
M.C. Marquette	9/11	2/9
M.C. Rogers	10	3
Chesterton	5	1
LaCrosse	2/5	7/6
Wheeler	1	5
Portage	12	2
Oregon Davis	0	10
Crown Point	1	3
Sectionals (Wheeler)	13	12

Season Records: 8 Wins — 15 Losses



Rounding third on a single, senior Greg Winters shows his baserunning ability.

In an overcast game against Merrillville, sophomore Pete Bray prepares to deliver the pitch to his catcher Todd Bickel.



Rain dampens coach's kick upstairs

J.V. Baseball

	OPP	VHS
Merrillville	5	9
LaPorte	11	1
M.C. Rogers	5	11
Hobart	1	5
Chesterton	6	9
Lake Central	11	6
Merrillville	1	4
Kouts	0	12
LaPorte	1	5
Hobart	6	2
Andean	6	8
M.C. Rogers	5	3
Portage	11	0
Chesterton	4	14
Crown Point	3	6
Portage	11	9

Season Record: 10 Wins — 6 Losses

When Sherlock Holmes had a problem, he turned to his assistant Dr. Watson. Together these two could solve most problems. Varsity baseball coach Pat Murphy also got the opportunity to consult an assistant because for the first time in Valpo history, the varsity team had an assistant coach as well as a head coach. After coaching eight years on the J.V. level, Mr. Charles Geiss got moved up to help coach varsity and Mr. Zane Cole took the J.V. spot. Geiss was moved up from J.V. to varsity this year because Murphy felt that with two coaches, the team could work more on fundamentals along with other items very important to baseball.

"We worked harder on fundamentals than we ever have before, and came out with the best pre-season we've ever had," stated Murphy. Also, he stated that the biggest improvement in the

team was the pitching, and that the team spirit was at all time high.

Senior Steve Carichoff came through with clutch base hits, and proved to be the team's best hitter. Jeff Susdorf, taking advantage of his instincts and quickness, was the team's most valuable player on the field.

The team got off to a slow start, but got things together and clobbered Merrillville 6-2 in their first conference game of the season.

Just like in previous years, bad weather plagued the Vikes. Murphy was always rescheduling games, and the players would get frustrated and rusty because they couldn't play any games for a long period of time — at one time there was a lull of two weeks between games.



One of the varsity's best all around players, senior Steve Carichoff pounds out a single to left field.

In a clutch situation, senior Dave Lebyrk tries to bring in Tim Deiotte from third.

J.V. BASEBALL TEAM — Front Row: Kevin Inches, Steve Ikeda, Brad Lichtenberger, Tim Turner, Mark Mundt, Chris Athanson. Back Row: Coach Zane Cole, Jeff Criswell, Todd Van Keppel, Pete Bray, Steve Engelder, Todd Bickel, Kurt Gesse, Mike Krieger.



Sophomore two-miler Randy Seinkowski takes the lead over his Rogers opponent and finishes first.

Against a tough Hobart opposition, junior pole vaulter Ken Oglesby clears the bar with ease.



VARSITY TRACK TEAM — Front Row: Jeff Wehling, Chris Daley, Doug Uridel, Ken Oglesby, Mike Jones, Randy Seinkowski, Ken Wehner. **Second Row:** Dave Hanna, Randy Fleener, Bill Hess, Mike Pedavoli, Bob Vendl, Jeff Corsbie, Ron Mueller, Jim Lynch. **Third Row:** Karl Abraham, Dave Dipert, Chris Hansen, Craig McCarron,

Tim Balko, Troy Hartwig, Eric Lee. **Fourth Row:** John Thomas, Kevin Leffew, Tim Leveritt, Daryle Keller, Conrad West, Dirk Bengel, Jeff Wilson, Jim Startt. **Back Row:** Coach Mark Watts, Kurt Lightcap, Elliot Glynn, Tim Eckert, Dave Gertsmeier, Gary Pavich, Coach Sam Rasmussen, Coach Bob Punter.

BOYS' TRACK

	DPP	VHS
Griffith	(forfeit)	W
LaPorte	56	70
Merrillville	83	44
Hobart	66	61
Lake Central	70	57
M.C. Rogers	71	56
Chesterton Relays		3rd
Chesterton	85	31
Portage	77½	51½
Valpo Relays		4th
Duneland Conference Meet		7th
LaPorte Invitational		3rd
Sectionals		4th

Season Record: 2 wins — 8 losses

'Hang together' strategy bolsters team morale

As the old saying goes, one man cannot carry a team; it takes a total team effort. That was the formula for the track team because numerous runners helped the team. Jeff Corsbie a junior, collected heavily needed points in both the pole vault and high hurdles. Corsbie tied the school record in the high hurdles with 14:7 and won the pole vault in the Sectionals. Another record-setter was junior Ron Mueller who broke the 330 low hurdle record. Senior Troy Hartwig captured the Sectional crown for the long jump.

Coach Sam Rasmussen explained that although this was an extremely young team with only four seniors, it had the best crop of sophomores, including Randy Seinkowski and Chris Daley who ran races as the 880, 1 mile and the 2 mile. Both turned out to be the best sophomore distant runners at Valpo in many years.

The mighty track mentor explained that the team kept on getting stronger as the season progressed and will be a team to be reckoned with next year. The biggest highlight was placing 4th in the Sectionals. Other highlights were placing 3rd in the LaPorte, Valpo, and Chesterton Relays. The team finished 2-8 for the regular season and 1-6 in the Duneland Conference.



Rounding turn one in the mile, Soph Chris Daley and junior Jeff Wehling set a commanding pace.

Hurdlers Jeff Corsbie and Bill Hess outrun their adversaries to the finish line.

Senior Dave Gertsmeier finishes an exhausting 880 yard run to give Valpo some needed points.

Last leg sprint ties Merrillville for DAC crown

"It was a delightful ending," exclaimed Ms. Nancy Walsh about the Girl's Track team's fine finish. The girls, who finished fourth in the Duneland, surprised everyone by tying Merrillville for first in the conference meet.

Walsh was discouraged about the team's fourth place finish in the Duneland. "We're a better team than that." She also stated that the main reason for the fourth place finish was because she could never get the whole team together. People would be sick, or on vacation, and it wasn't until the conference meet that the whole team was together, and the result was a first place finish.

Although the team's strongest point was in the field events, Walsh praised many members in track and field alike. Leigh Stokes, Brigit Bartelmo, Debbie Snyder, Kristin Mrzlak, and Missy Reinhertz all came through to help the team during the season.

Walsh praised the team for its optimistic attitude because the girls kept trying. "They know that they were better than what the 6-5 record showed, but they didn't get discouraged. Their attitude kept up at a high pace, and it finally paid off at the conference meet."

Some school records were broken. Brigit Bartelmo broke the time in the hurdles, and Cathy Hillenbrand beat the record half mile time. Debbie Snyder also threw the shot put past the old mark.

Upon conclusion of the season, Walsh prepares to turn over the reins of the team to someone else, Willa Detweiler. "It's about time I retire from it," she said. She will remain as athletic director for the girls, but relinquished her capacity as track coach because she didn't have time for both.

Finishing one-two-three, sophomores Maggie Potie, Tammy Byvoets, and Carol Douglas chalk up points for VHS.

With great concentration, junior Debbie Snyder sets up to throw the shot put.





In the relay, Connie Wilhelm prepares to hand the baton to Carol Douglas.



Girls' Track

	OPP	VHS
LaPorte	39	66
Merrillville	54	41
Hammond Gavitt	37	57
Gary West	40	57
Hobart	55	50
Washington Twp.	23	82
Calumet	32	73
Portage	44	51
Chesterton	51	44
Crown Point	62	43
Duneland Conference meet (tied)	1st	
Conference standing	4th	
Sectionals (tied)	2nd	
Regionals		

Season Record: 6 Wins — 5 Losses

Trying to get as much distance as possible, junior Joni Vass puts all her concentration and effort into the long jump



GIRLS' TRACK TEAM — Front Row: Kim Dutcher, Brigit Bartelmo, Tammy Byvoets, Joanne Mischanko, Maggie Potts, Julie Poncher, Caroline Hefner, Margo Woodruff, Connie Wilhelm, Jennifer Bratton. **Second Row:** asst. coach Willa Detweiler, Manager Joann Demeo, Carol Douglas, Martha Galow, Jennifer Golding, Kristen Mrzlak, Tammie Magnetti, Stephanie Verde, Joni Vass, Missy Reinhardt, Leigh Stokes, Kim Rudd, Head Coach Nancy Walsh. **Back Row:** Debbie Snyder, Jeanette Dupes, Millie Marshall, Jean Carlson, Cathy Bissette, Cathy Hillenbrand, MaryAnn Dupes, Mindy Reinhardt, Joann Helms, Cheryl Vocke, Kris Marshall, Miriam Duncan, Manager Becky Redelman.

BOYS' GOLF TEAM — Front Row: Doug Roberts, Jeff Jackson, David Koenig. **Second Row:** Dave Mason, Greg Chrustowski, Tim McFadden, Mike Pavacik, Mark Kendrick. **Back Row:** Jim Becker, Gary Krueger, Mark Marencik, Mike Smith, Jim Stanton, Coach Bob Cain. **Not Pictured:** Tom Hayden.

All-Duneland Conference golfer Jeff Jackson lines up a short putt in a match against Chesterton.



While sophomore Mark Marencik studies his putt seniors Jeff Jackson and Mike Smith wait with anticipation.

All-American golfer Gary Krueger demonstrates his strokesaving wedge shot which aided him in capturing numerous medalist honors and excellent tournament finishes.



BOYS' GOLF

	VHS	OPP
Merrillville	161	162
Merrillville-Highland	312	323-345
Hobart	157	172
Portage	159	187
Munster (won by fifth man)	158	158
LaPorte	164	168
Chesterton	143	191
M.C. Rogers	154	166
Merrillville (lost, fifth man)	157	157
M.C. Elston	154	153
Elston-S.B. St. Joe	326	337-348
Andean	158	154
LaPorte	153	164
Chesterton	161	174
Boone Grove	157	171

INVITATIONALS

Rensselaer	1st
LaPorte	1st
Lake Hills	8th
Sectionals	1st
Regionals	2nd
State	4th

Season Record: 15 wins — 4 losses



Excellent state tournament play ends misfortune

Since 1969 the Chicago Cubs have been famous for choking at the end of the season, the Minnesota Vikings have gone to the Super Bowl four times and never won, and the Boys' Golf Team has met with misfortune in the State Tournament.

Previously the golf team had been plagued by unfortunate events, such as disqualifications and bad rounds, but this year the golf team put it together and won both conference and the sectional tournament. Led by senior Gary Krueger and junior Jim Becker, the Vikes compiled an outstanding 14-4 record, which included victories over strong teams such as Michigan City Rogers and Merrillville.

The golfers played their best matches when the pressure was on. For the first time in Valpo history the Vikings won both the Rensselaer and LaPorte Invitationals. Coach Bob Cain said that he thought his players golfed superbly in the LaPorte Invitational, where they turned in a final tally of 313, which was good enough to beat Rogers by two strokes.

The top four golfers on the varsity all averaged under 40 strokes per match including conference leader Gary Krueger, who averaged one stroke over par each match. Despite the efforts of these golfers the Vikes lost four unfortunate matches, two by only one stroke.

Coach Cain's outlook for next year is a good one with the return of Becker and the addition of a number of players from the strong J.V. team.

Post season play showed the team in good form as it finished first in Sectionals and second in the Regionals. At the Old Oakland course in Indianapolis, the Vikes went two rounds of play and Gary Krueger emerged as the state medalist with a score of 175, and as the recipient of the Fred A. Keesling Mental Attitude Award. Mark Marencik and Jim Becker turned in scores that enabled the team to finish fourth overall.

Relaxing and awaiting their turn on the green, Gary Krueger and Jim Becker size up the next shots.

Valpo tradition shines despite Mother Nature

Valpo's tennis tradition is typified by rain, hurricane-like winds and frigid temperatures, but most of all winning seasons.

Despite Mother Nature's stormy disposition during most of the season the Vikings got on the winning track and never derailed, and finished a spectacular 15-2. Valpo again won the Peru Invitational for the fourth straight year adding to an already sensational season. Coach Steve Doak remarked that this was an amazing group of young women, who were a great asset to their high school as well as to their community.

Senior Jody Cannon, during her four years on the varsity team, compiled a remarkable 64-9 record indicative of her consistency on the courts. Sisters Sue and Cindy Hickey teamed up to capture the 1 and 2 positions in the singles division, and Valpo's doubles play was strong with two scrappy intense players, Pam Harbold and Kim Carichoff, who dominated the first doubles and totaled 4 wins and only 0 losses.

In sectional play on homecourts, Coach Doak formulated the strategy of using his top four seeds as doubles qualifiers to spare their invaluable loss to the invincible number one and two seeds from LaPorte, Marianne Guiney and Karen Day. With the Hickey sisters and the team of Jody Cannon and Anne Crowley as numbers one and two doubles, the team easily copped the sectional doubles titles and advanced to regional play.

The Hickey sisters drew last year's state doubles champions for their opening match and fell in the first round of play. Cannon and Crowley also met with stiff opposition and lost in their bid to advance toward the state tourney.

Coach Judy Lebryk's J.V. squad compiled a record of 4-3-1. At one time or another Julie Anderson, Melanie Redding, and Cindy West shared the number one singles position. Coach Lebryk stated, "This is a very young team and I think this will make a strong base for future varsity teams.

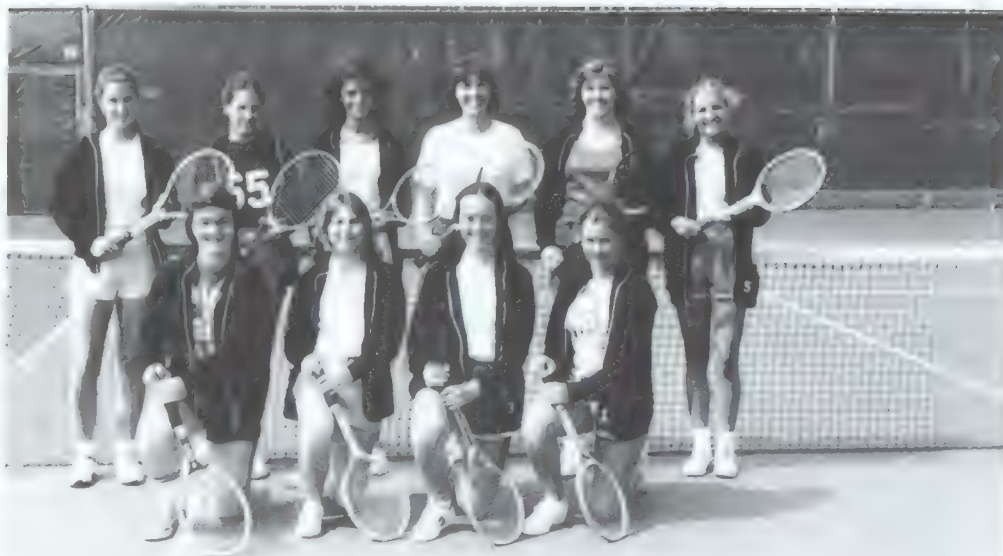
Undaunted by her opponent's shot, Cindy Hickey sets up for her return volley.

Backed up against the baseline, senior Sue Hickey prepares to return with a piercing forehand.





In a vital match against Griffith, senior letterman Jody Cannon delivers a smashing serve.



J.V. TENNIS TEAM — Front Row: Sheila Schroeder, Rachel Schroeder, Cindy West, Brenda Wagner. **Back Row:** Julie Anderson, Kim Wittlinger, Helen Lucaitis, Coach Judy Le-bryk, Melanie Redding, Pam Pavacik.



VARSITY TENNIS TEAM — Front Row: Kim Carichoff, Dawn Schueler, Jody Cannon, Ann Crowley, Dawn Hernandez. **Back Row:** Kim Simon, Pam Harbold, Cindy Hickey, Shannon Murphy, Sue Hickey, Jo Jo Trapp, Lori Lethan.

GIRLS' J.V. TENNIS

Chesterton	VHS
Lowell	L
Plymouth	L
Boone Grove	tie
Portage	W
Munster	W
LaPorte	L
North Judson	W

Season Record: 4-3-1

GIRLS' VARSITY TENNIS

Munster	VHS
South Bend Adams	L
Plymouth	L
Crown Point	W
Griffith	W
Hammond Gavit	W
Hammond Morton	W
M.C. Rogers	W
M.C. Marquette	W
Portage	W
Knox	W
Culver	W
E.C. Roosevelt	W
LaPorte	W
Hobart	W
Merrillville	W
Chesterton	W
Peru Invationals	1st
Sectionals	
Regionals	

Season Record: 15 win — 2 losses

Getting the fans involved in the game, J.V. and Varsity Cheerleaders pep up the crowd with a cheer.

FLAG CORPS — Front Row: Diane Cook, Diane Moser, Michelle Hazlett, Pam Benner, Donna Droge. **Second Row:** Sherri Pauley, Betsey Matern, Diane Robinson, Sally Herndon, Sadonna

Swann, Sarah Schroeder. **Back Row:** Sherry Dobbins, Patti Jones, Patty Schiek, Pam Hutton, Colleen Sanford, Suzanne Morse.



J.V. CHEERLEADERS — Front Row: Maggie Delumpa, Debbie Brady. **Second Row:** Caroline Hefner. **Third Row:** Sue Vondran, Missy Tucker. **Back Row:** Alison Howard.

Sophomore Vikette Cheryl Brosky performs a routine at halftime during a football game.





When fans get going, it's more than a feeling

Silence fills the air. Then all at once the cheerleaders start a chant of "Defense, Defense!" A few fans softly start chanting with them. The Vikettes and flag corps also join in. Gradually more and more fans begin changing until finally the whole crowd is screaming at the tops of their voices, "Defense, Defense!" Everyone is sitting at the edge of his seat, hoping, praying, biting his fingernails. Will the Vikings hold them and win, or will they lose?

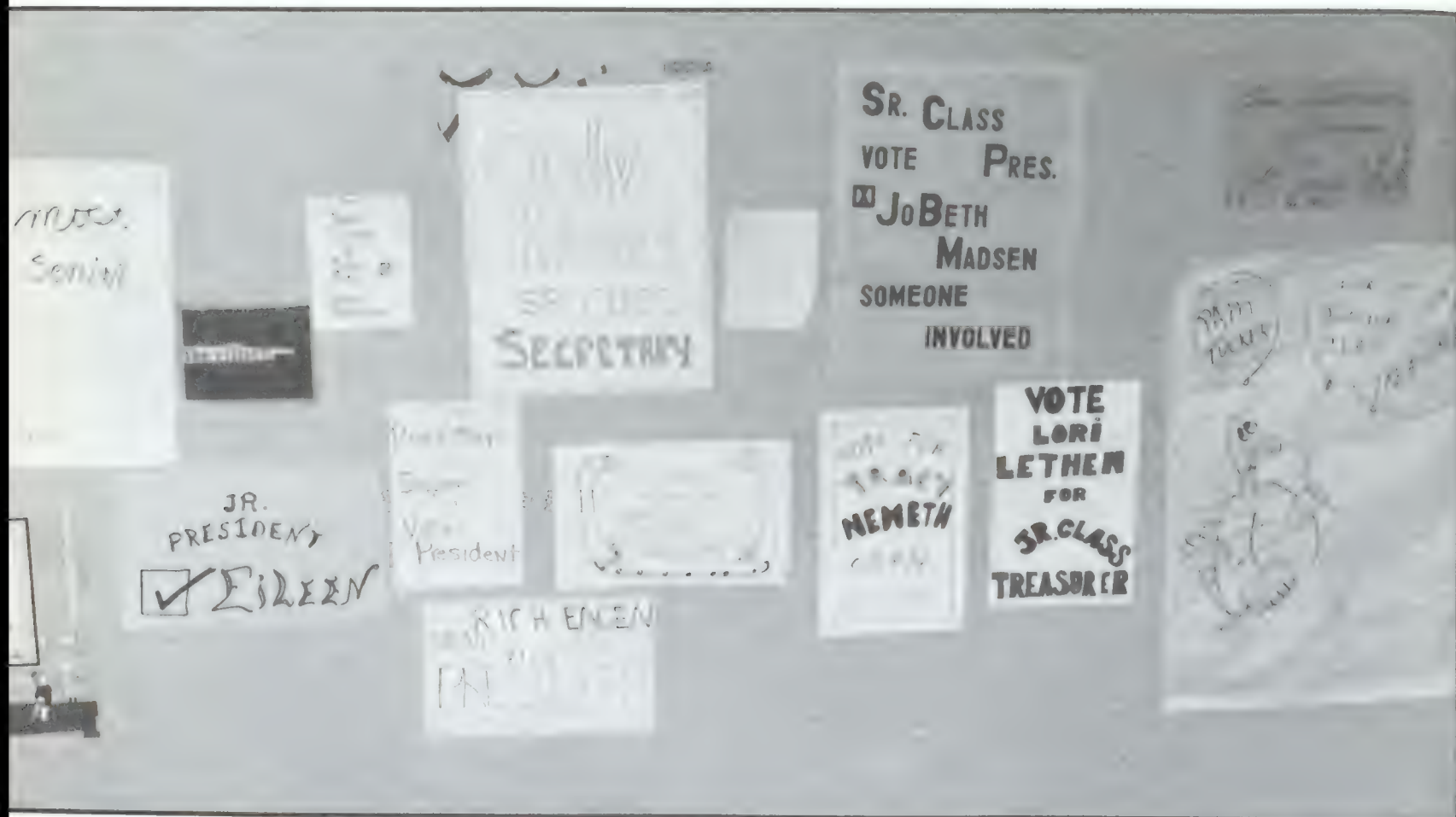
Although it was hard on the throat, the fingernails, and the nerves, Viking spirit was suspenseful, but fun. Yet it wasn't supplied exclusively by the cheerleaders, Pep Club, Vikettes, or the Flag Corps, but everyone. Joined by the thousands of fans who supported the Viking teams throughout the year, Viking spirit was a force to be reckoned with. From the first kickoff to the last pitch, Viking spirit was high throughout the school and the city.

But it takes a little doing to get this spirit. The fans had to go out and fight the rains, snow, and sub-zero weather just to see the Vikings in action. Along with this, the cheerleaders, Vikettes, and Flag Corps always went out of their way too. They practiced day after day just to get a routine down. They spent their time and money at summer camps, just to learn new routines for the upcoming year. All this for Viking Spirit! That's why we can always claim; win or lose, rain or shine, VHS Spirit was, and always will be around en masse!



1978 Vikettes — Front Row: Mickey Mannell, Cheryl Brosky, Toby Emerson, Heidi Hunsburger. **Second Row:** Stacey Waymire, Kim Simon, Tracey Bennett, Kathy Satterlee. **Third Row:** Sue Wereham, Sandy Washek, Denise Brosky, Jeanette Olszewski. **Fourth Row:** Debbie Hendrixson, Toni Morango, Toni Hackett, Kim Arnett, Sponsor Willa Detwiler. **Fifth Row:** Michele Daras, Lynda Gast, Joni Vass, Sue Wessell. **Sixth Row:** Karen Anderson, Debbie Downing. **Back Row:** Lori Strimbu.

VARSITY CHEERLEADERS — Front Row: Pam Harbold. **Second Row:** Lisa Mitchell, Donna Raymond, Nancy Oliver. **Back Row:** Cyndi Huseman, Ruth Lohmeyer.



Prior to beginning her Quest assignment, Kim Nuppau contemplates her first move on the typewriter.

Although not on as large a scale as the nationals, the class officer elections always bring pomp and posters at the halls.

Dressed as their favorite Disney characters, Mrs. Alice Noble, Mrs. Kim Pritchett, and Ms. Liz Brown help the band during the football halftime program.



STATUS SEEKERS AIM FOR #1



Psychologists have spent years pondering why people spend their lifetimes trying to better themselves. The puzzling aspect of the whole situation is why people feel this need to prove their increased value to themselves. Why can't they just be content to accept themselves as they are? Why do people make or break their lives in search of a question that has no tangible answer?

Taken from the average high school student's point of view, he may have been a better person because his grades were better, or he tried hard to get his homework done earlier than five minutes before class started. It may be that he's a better person because his parents made lesser demands on his time and allowed him a later curfew. Or, instead of just staring into space and sitting silently when called upon to answer a question, he had the guts to say, "I don't know," rather than stammer a few "uhs."

Different views were also taken from the grades at school. Naturally since sophomores, juniors, and seniors varied in age and temperament, their opinion on their progress differed.

Sophomores thought they were better, because they were no longer little teenyboppers in junior high. Students in the lower grades looked up to them, because they finally hit the big time — high school.

Since they were the middle-of-the-road clan at school, the juniors shared ambiguous opinions on their personal improvement. They were older and more experienced than last year, and the seniors didn't look down on them as much, but the juniors still hadn't gone as high as possible. They had one more year left to wait before it was their turn to be #1.

The most confident group at school, the seniors, knew they were better because they were the big shots at school. They were the undisputed leaders of the state, and head honchos at the pop stand. Nobody had to tell them why they were better, and they didn't have to search too hard, because they finally reached the end of their twelve year struggle to the greatest place in the world — that of a senior.

During an evening practice session, band director Dan Pritchett coaches the Flag Corps on its routine.

Administration shows 'no man is an island'

Has anyone ever stopped to think how life would be if the United States didn't have a President, or the Roman Catholic Church didn't have a Pope, or if the Civil Rights Movement hadn't had Martin Luther King Jr.? The situation would be like a team of players that had the qualities of sure champs, yet without its coaches guiding and leading it to victory the team would probably face defeat.

Any group needs a leader to organize and maintain order within it. The teachers and students at VHS needed something to guide them and maintain order and thus the administrations' job comes in. Sometimes it was the go between and sometimes the enforcer, but its main job was to see that everything ran smoothly for both sides.

Although promoting school policy and enforcing discipline was the main function of the administration, the majority of the students only associated

it with invitations to talk with the principal by means of "passes to the office." As a surprise to some students, Garth Johnson's job did not consist of sitting in his office all day "burning" kids whose names appeared on Mr. Doane's or Mr. McMichael's "blacklist."

Assisting him were the two assistant principals, Mr. James McMichael and Mr. C.J. Doane. Mr. McMichael worked to strengthen the daily attendance policy and to organize the summer school program, while Mr. Doane served as athletic director. In this capacity, Doane was involved in coordinating all the athletic events of the season and team scheduling.

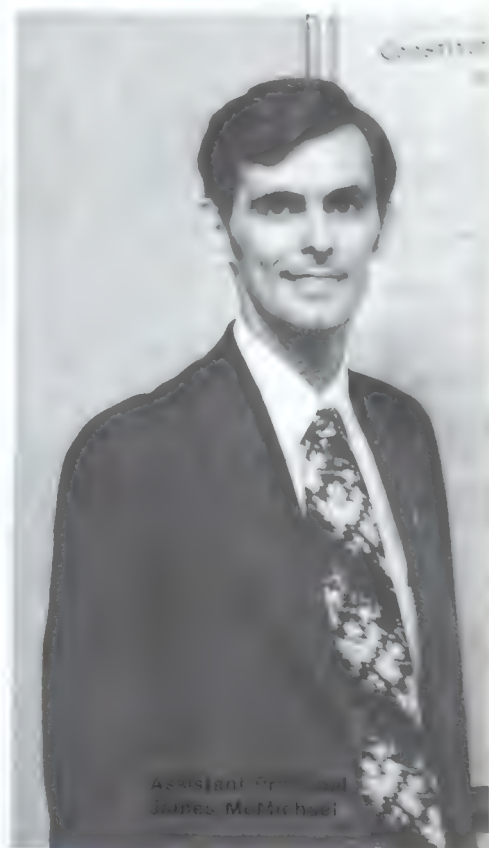
Working as a team, the administration tried to create a beneficial curriculum. They allowed the privilege of having in-school absences and personal leaves which gave the student the feel of independence and freedom.



SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS — Mr. Arnold Brown, Dr. Robert Koenig, Mr. Robert Malackowski, Mrs. Janet Hart, Mr. James Christy.



**Assistant Principal
C.J. Doane**



**Assistant Principal
James McMichael**



Principal Garth Johnson



George Nash
Food Service Director



With the help of Quest members Kelley Welch and Pam Risk, Assistant Principal C.J. Doane and office secretary Mrs. Sue Peloso relay messages to students.



Mrs. Marcy Tomes
guidance counselor



Mr. Ivan Blackman
guidance counselor



Mr. Jack
Hildreth
guidance
counselor



Mrs. Charlotte
Reason
guidance secretary



Mrs. Marilyn
Hayes
guidance secretary

With the aid of guidance secretary Mrs. Marilyn Hayes, sophomore Janet Dombrowski looks up a university in the College Handbook.





Don Dick
guidance director



Mrs. Billie Stordeur
main office



Mrs. Sue Peloso
main office



Mrs. Rosemary Bull
attendance clerk



Mrs. Jo Amberson
attendance clerk

Having job problems? Career Resource Center can help you.

Name _____
Social Security Number _____
Position Desired _____
Expected Pay _____
Previous job experience _____
Three references _____

Do any of these questions look familiar? The students who have checked out the Career Resource and Job Placement Center would recognize them immediately on any job application.

In its first year, the Career Resource Center tried to provide students with a chance to find jobs that interested them and to explore future career possibilities. The Guidance Department sponsored the center so that students who were not going to college or who needed a job could receive more aid in their job search.

While last year a Job Placement office was available to students, the service was expanded this year to meet the needs of

those students who did not plan to attend college and sought employment instead.

Former VHS graduate, Mrs. Kim Pritchett handled most of the secretarial work for the Center and assisted students and parents during school hours. Distributive Education Instructor, Mr. Steve Doak did the footwork of the operation by acting as a community contact between students and the business world.

Another new addition to the Guidance Department was counselor Elaine Bever. Miss Bever, a Butler University graduate, was in charge of the Career Education Visitation Program. The Guidance Department focused in on the 200 sophomores who listed this area as their number one need. Through a series of guest speakers talking on topics ranging from clerical work to veterinary medicine, Guidance hoped to awaken interest in students for future job possibilities.



Mrs. Mary Moser
learning center aide



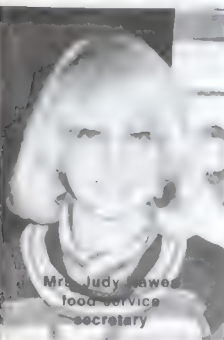
Mrs. Rachel West
athletic secretary



Mrs. Linda Kinnell
treasurer



Mrs. Rachel West
athletic secretary



Mrs. Judy Hawes
food service
secretary



Mrs. Sharon Hammon
secretary



CAFETERIA STAFF — Front Row: Christa Tichy, Phyllis Hunt, Barbara Homan, June Buck.
Second Row — Lillian Swickhart, Renat Tucker, Audry Sefchik, Leah Henriques, Wilma Luther, Shirley Perry. **Third Row:** Roberta

Ingram, Helene Cooke, Sally Sturvat, Joan Stombough, Vivian Breen, Vivian Ludington, Mildred Holuska, Fern Lowe, Kay Tromau, Hilke Bolde, Sylvia Aaron.

It's not whether you win or lose; It's how you coach the game

Afternoon sets in after the long morning and not a minute too soon. The sixth hour announcements finish. Hundreds of students rush to their lockers while many teachers grade papers. Simultaneously, other teachers and students head for the locker room to make a quick change into tennis shoes, gym shorts, or swim suits.

The career of a teacher definitely goes beyond books, and lectures, and onto gyms and tennis courts. Approximately, one out of every four teachers either sponsored an intramural sport, or coached an inter-scholastic sport. Although getting

involved was time-consuming, coaches and sponsors stated that it can be a disease which can start an epidemic when working with a fun bunch of kids. Many teachers agreed coaching or supervising was so rewarding that they would rather help the kids who are out to do their best than use the time for their own interests.



Backed by his experience in coaching boys basketball, Mr. Dale Cicora gives helpful hints to the girls basketball team.

Mrs. Lori Alt — English
Mr. Kurt Anderson — art, photography
Mr. Ben Austin — physics
Mrs. Cheryl Bagnall — home economics



Mrs. Anne Baker — social studies, pep club sponsor
Mr. Charles Bird — English, boy's swim coach
Mrs. Mary Bowman — Latin
Mr. William Boyle — chemistry, physics, student council co-sponsor



Miss Elizabeth Brown — media specialist
Mr. Robert Cain — art, golf coach
Mr. Rolando Chilian — orchestra
Mr. Dale Cicora — social studies, girl's basketball coach





Mrs. Katherine Clark — English
Mr. Zane Cole — Industrial Arts
Mr. Skip Collins — English, cross country coach, boy's varsity basketball, FCA sponsor
Mr. John Cook — English, varsity wrestling coach, varsity football ass't coach



Miss Michelle Dailey — PVE, YARC
Mrs. Maggie Diaz — business
Mrs. Donna Gray — social studies, student council co-sponsor
Mrs. Anne Dilts — math



Mr. Steve Doak — business, DECA sponsor, girl's and boy's tennis coach
Miss Marcia Futter — German, foreign exchange club co-sponsor
Mr. Glen Ellis — math, intramural basketball sponsor
Mr. Charles Geiss — Spanish, French, J.V. baseball coach



Active in sports before and after school, Intramural Bowling sponsor **Mr. Mark Watts** checks score sheets during an outing at Inman's.

Mr. Dean Gerber — learning center director
Ms. Margaret Griffith — home economics
Miss Libby Gurthet — social problems,
 psychology
Mr. Jerry Hager — PVE, j.v. tennis coach



Mrs. Elizabeth Hall — English, V-Teens co-
 sponsor
Mrs. Jean Heckman — English
Mr. Richard Hein — music
Mr. Gary Held — vocational training



Mrs. Doris Hildreth — health services, school
 nurse
Mrs. Lenore Hoffman — English, V-Teens co-
 sponsor
Mr. Mark Hoffman — physical education, varsity
 football coach
Mr. Frank Horvath — Industrial Arts, VICA
 sponsor



Although English Department Chairman Kitty
 Clark teaches Shakespeare's works to
 many of her classes, indulging in his works
 for personal enjoyment is a favorite hobby.



Flying airplanes, gardening make life more than an open book

Just as Bonnie couldn't be a success without Clyde, nor Raggedy Ann without Andy, teachers can't be successful without students. A teacher's career is a job that can last 24 hours a day, and it constantly figures in with the everyday lives of students. Being a student is a job that requires effort and patience, and it also interacts with the lives of teachers. Even though students don't teach for a living, many teachers in-

crease their knowledge through their students.

Mr. Ben Austin attested to this hypothesis. In one of his physics classes, a student who had his pilot license used flying a plane as the topic for his term paper. In order to receive full credit for the project, the student was required to give Mr. Austin his first ride in an airplane. Today Mr. Austin has a commercial license, and has received an instrument rating which, in his own words was his, "biggest accomplishment."

Although some students wouldn't believe it, teachers are human and have interests outside the classroom to keep their sanity.



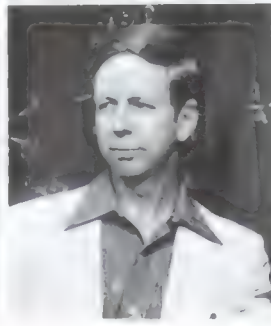
Besides the project of building his own house, physics teacher Ben Austin also flies in his spare time.



Mr. Shelley Hugus — Industrial Arts, VICA sponsor
Mr. James Hunn — chemistry
Miss Nancy Hutton — social studies, girl's golf coach, foreign exchange club co-sponsor
Mrs. Vela Johnson — business



Mr. David Kenning — Industrial education, VICA sponsor
Mrs. Ruth Laube — business
Mr. Lance Leach — business, intramural ski co-sponsor
Ms. Judith Lebyk — English, girl's j.v. tennis coach



Mrs. Joan Mahoney — Spanish
Mr. Wes Maiers — math, foreign exchange club sponsor
Mrs. Kathy Miinch — home economics
Mr. Martin Miller — social studies

Mr. Paul Miller — life science

Mr. Robert Miller — band

Mr. Patrick Murphy — social studies, varsity
baseball coach, ass't football coach

Mrs. Alice Noble — speech, drama club
sponsor, Thespian sponsor.



Ms. Margaret Phillips — English, foreign
exchange club co-sponsor

Mr. John Pinkerton — English

Miss Christina Prickett — business, ass't girl's
basketball coach

Mr. Dan Prickett — music, math



Mr. Robert Punter — math, j.v. basketball
coach

Mr. Sam Rasmussen — physical education,
boy's track and field coach

Mr. Sid Reggie — social studies, j.v. football
coach

Mr. Lewis Rhinehart — German, National
Honor Society sponsor, sophomore basketball
coach



Behind the scenes crews take it one day at a time

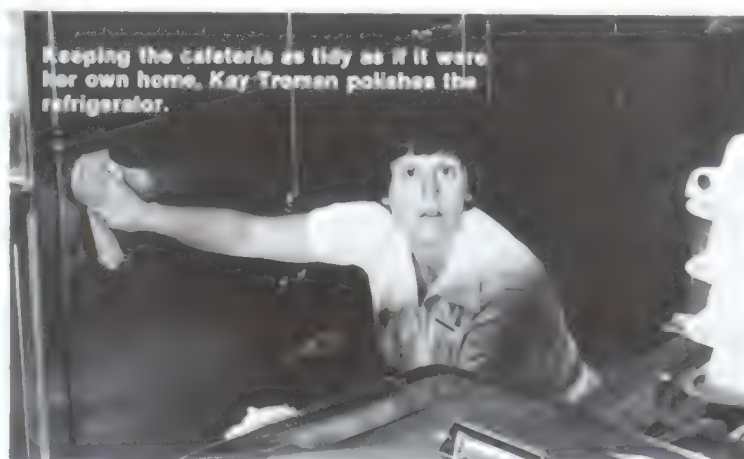
Any student who ever gave a party knows what it is like to prepare on a Friday afternoon and what it takes to clean up after a party Saturday morning. The clean up is big job! Even household chores can get to be a hassle, and making dinner for your brothers and sisters can get to the point where you always end up taking them to McDonald's.

Functioning as an efficient cook and a spotless cleaner was one requirement of the cafeteria staff and custodians. Another was working long hours.

In preparation for the 7:30 breakfast, the kitchen opened at 6:00 every

morning. After breakfast, the crew fixed lunch for six grade schools and served 1,400 VHS students.

While the cafeteria staff was usually ready to leave by 3:30 in the afternoon, at 7 a.m. custodians went to work to keep the school in shape which was a tremendous task compared to keeping a locker straightened.





Mr. Robert Rhoda — Industrial Education
Mr. Thomas Rice — art, girls' and boys' ass't swim coach
Mr. Don Scott — math
Mrs. Cynthia Stalbaum — business, OEA sponsor



Having the job of a custodian doesn't mean just pushing a broom, as Tim Inman shows while cleaning the drinking fountains.



Mr. Charles Stanier — social studies, football ass't coach, wrestling coach
Mr. Tom Stokes — health, drivers' training
Mr. Virgil Sweet — physical education
Mrs. Lorie Walker — physical education



Miss Nancy Walsh — physical education, girl's track and field coach
Mr. Mark Watts — physical education, ass't football coach, ass't track coach
Mrs. Bonnie Weber — Spanish, French
Miss Linda White — math, intramural ski co-sponsor



Mrs. Gloria Zimmerman — English, journalism, **VALENIAN** advisor, quill & scroll sponsor

Panic paces hectic final leg

Graduation announcements, caps and gowns, and the annual last-minute rush to meet college admissions deadlines bring to mind all the traditions that add to the frantic pace of the last year in high school. For the seniors, that final, anticlimatic moment when all government texts could be replaced by well-earned diplomas was an eagerly awaited one, with few of the usual rah-rah sentimentalities attached. The class prided itself not on its athletic or intellectual prowess, but on its ability to get along and have a good time, a quality referred to by more than one administrator as "rowdiness." Sure, commencement and all of the necessary preparations which lead to it were a major concern of the senior year, but for the majority of the seniors, the ceremonial aspects had to take a back seat to Craiger's parties.

Karl Abraham — intramurals 2; cross country 2-4; track 2-4. **Ron Adkins** — tennis 2, 3. **Linda Ahlbrand** — OEA 4; intramurals 2-4; Pep Club 2-4; V-Teens 2-4; Homecoming Court. **Lisa Allen** — OEA 4; Exch. Club 2.

Scott Allen — For. Exch. Club 3, 4; intramurals 2; NHS 3, 4 (treas.). **Paul Anderson** — intramurals 2-4; VICA 3; swimming 2-4. **Peter Annon. Leanne Aungst.**

Jay Ashby. Paul Baepler — intramurals 2; NHS 3, 4; tennis 2-4. **Ase Bahr** (Exch. student from Norway) For. Exch. Club 4; intramurals 4. **Tim Balko** — intramurals 4; NHS 4; basketball 2, 3; football 2-4; track 2-4; King of Hearts Prince 4.



SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS — Front Row: Bekki Evans, vice-president; Carol Bannec, secretary. **Back Row:** Nancy Oliver, treasurer; Pat Tudor, president.





Carol Bannec. Neil Banschbach — intramurals 2, 3; VICA 3, 4 (sec.). **Betsy Bard** — V-Teens 2; Choir 2, 3. **Brigid Bartelmo** — intramurals 4; Quest 3, 4; Student Council 2, 3; volleyball 2-4; track 2-4; class officer 4; Student Fac. Senate 3, 4.

Virginia Beach — intramurals 4. **Greg Beach** — DECA 2. **Adriana Behagel. Brian Bell** — football 2-4.

Lisa Benda — V-Teens 4; Drama Club 2-4; Quest 4; Student Council 3, 4; Choir 2, 3; Pep Club 3, 4; Ski Club 4; PVE Teaching 3. **Eric Bengel** — Quest 4; VICA 3, 4 (pres.). **Lauralyn Bengel** — Band 2-4; V-Teens 2, 3; Valenian 4; Student Council 2, 3; Pep Club 2, 3; Orchestra 2-4. **Bryan Bennett** — Band 2.

David Berkoski — DECA 3; VICA 4. **Julie Bickel** — Quest 4; swimming 2-4. **Carolyn Bihlman** — Drama Club 3; Quest 3, 4. **Tim Billings.**

Missy Bivens — For. Exchange 2-4; Drama Club 2; Quest 3. **Brad Blastick** — FCA 2, 3; intramurals 4; football 2; basketball 2-4; King of Hearts Court. **Tom Bolde** — VICA 2; football 2, 3; wrestling 3, 4. **Gail Bolin.**

Joseph Bondi — Band 2-4; Jazz Band 2-4; NHS 3, 4. **Fred Bosse** — VICA 3. **Kevin Brophy** — Band 2, 3; FCA 4; intramurals 2-4; Jazz Band 2, 3; NHS 3, 4; Student Fac. Senate 2; Quest 4; Student Council 2-4; wrestling 2-4; football 2. **Robert Brosky.**

Karen Brown — VICA 4. **Linda Brown** — Band 2, 3; FCA 4; intramurals 3, 4; golf 4; Pep Club 2-4. **Mike Brown** — football 2-4; basketball 2-4. **Tim Brown** — VICA 2-4; swimming 2, 3.

David Buche. Julie Buchmeier — intramurals 2, 3; Quest 4; OEA 4 (sec.). **Paul Buck** — VICA 3, 4. **Mimi Burgess** — Quest 4.

Kathy Caemmerer — For. Exchange 2-4. **Tom Cain. Jody Cannon** — volleyball 2; tennis 2-4; Quest 2-4. **Nancy Casbon** — intramurals 2; Drama Club 3; Choir 2-4.

Ernesto Cercas. Joy Christiansen — Drama Club 4; Choir 2-4. **Jan Chrustowski** — Band 2-4; For. Exchange 3, 4; Jazz Band 2-4; NHS 4; Quill & Scroll 3, 4; Drama Club 2-4 (treas.); Student Council 2-4; golf 3, 4; Pep Band 2-4; Orchestra 3, 4. **Katherine Claesgens** — DECA 4.

Mark Clickovich — football 2, 3; intramurals 2, 3. **Kevin Clarke. Sandi Clarke. Jayne Coleman.**

Mark Collier — For. Exchange 2-4; NHS 3, 4; Lang. Club 2, 3; National Merit Scholarship Finalist. **Jim Copeland. King Dahl** — intramurals 2; tennis 2. **Rita Daly** — intramurals 3, 4; V-Teens 4; Quest 3, 4.

Rob Daniel — Homecoming Escort; football 2-4; track 2, 3; basketball 2. **Michele Daras** — Vikettes 2-4; NHS 3, 4; track 2-4. **Bob Davenport** — intramurals 2-4; VICA 4. **Meg Davidson** — For. Exchange 2, 3; V-Teens 2, 3; Pep Club 2-4.

Dwight D. Dipert — For. Exchange 2, 4; VTO 2-4; NHS 3, 4; VICA 4; swimming 2-4; track 2-4. **Roger Dodrill. Terry Doering. Brian Dogan** — Quest 4; football 2-4; wrestling 2-4; baseball 2.



Seniors — headed for the courts



Senior co-captain Rich Eagen demonstrates his letter-winning form as he returns his opponent's serve during tennis sectionals.



Keith Domke — intramurals 3, 4; Valenian 4; Student Faculty Senate 4; Quill & Scroll 4; Student Council 3, 4; football 2-4; golf 2. **Dennis Dommer** — FCA 3, 4; For. Exchange 2, 3; NHS 3, 4; Boy's State 3. **Jill Dommermuth** — For. Exchange 2, 3; intramurals 2; Valenian 4; NHS 3, 4; Quill & Scroll 4; Drama Club 2; Quest 3; FEA 2. **Jim Dougherty** — football 2.

Molly Dougherty — intramurals 2-4; For. Exchange 3; Homecoming Court 4; Quest 2-4; Student Council 3; Cheerleader 2. **Mike Douglas** — track 2, 3; football 2, 3. **Woody Dresden** — For. Exchange 3; Valenian 3; Quest 2, 3; DECA 4. **Donna Droege** — Band 2-4; Flag Corp 3, 4; For. Exchange 2-4; V-Teens 2-4; Quest 2; intramurals 2.

Myriam Duncan — track 4; Jazz Band 2-4. **Patricia Dziadosz** — For. Exch. 2; V-Teens 2, 3; Vettes 3, 4; Quest 4. **Rich Eagen** — FCA 4; For. Exch. 4; intramurals 2, 3; Valenian 3, 4; YARC 4; Quill & Scroll 3, 4; Drama Club 3, 4 (treas.); Student Council 2; tennis 2-4; FEA 3, 4. **Joanne Edgecomb** — intramurals 2, 3; basketball 2, 3; volleyball 2, 3; track 2, 3.

Throne is just a start to the top



Although the crown is sparse because of a rainstorm, Lisa Benda's spirits are undaunted as she receives her awards as the Porter County Fair Queen.

Judi Edgecomb — FCA 2; intramurals 2; basketball 2-4; volleyball 2-4; track 2, 3. **Andrew Eldridge** — FCA 2-4; intramurals 3, 4; YARC 2; NHS 3, 4; basketball 2; football 2-4; baseball 2, 3. **Cathy Emmons** — Band 2-4; For. Exch. 2-4; intramurals 2, 3; YARC 3, 4. **Richard Erwin** — NHS 4.

Bekki Evans — For. Exch. 4; intramurals 2-4; VTO 2-4; NHS 3, 4; Student Council 2-4 (sec.); VICA 3; swimming 2-4 (co-capt.). **Kristina Evans** — FCA 2, 4; For. Exch. 2-4 (pres.); intramurals 2-4; NHS 3, 4; Student Fac. Senate 4 (pres.); Student Council 4; tennis 2. **Loretta Ewing** — Quest 2, 3; VICA 4 (pres.). **Doug Farkus** — VICA 2, 3; swimming 2, 3.

Rickee Farrell — For. Exch. 3, 4; Drama Club 4; gymnastics 2, 3; diving 3; Pep Club 2, 3. **Todd Felts** — Band 3; intramurals 4; Quest 4. **Vikki Fiefield** — Quest 2-4; basketball 2; Pep Club 2. **Pam Fleenor**.

While in high school, female students often have visions of becoming the Porter County Fair Queen. It is no simple deed. After receiving the honor of competing for a local business sponsor, each entrant must contribute hours of preparation for photographs, speeches, and evening gown and bathing suit contests. Although numerous girls prepare vigorously for the event, only one will be crowned queen. Hard work and patience paid off for Lisa Benda as she was crowned the 1978 Miss Porter County Fair Queen.

Following her victory in the local competition, Lisa continued onto the state level. Although she did not place, the experience she acquired aided her in future contests. Competing in the Indiana Junior Miss Pageant, which was open only to high school girls, Lisa was chosen the second runner-up. She was also honored for winning the Kodak Photographic

Essay Contest and the talent portion of the contest.

In February, Lisa auditioned for Marriot's Great America and the Young Americans, a song and dance troupe. She was accepted into both, but chose to join the Young Americans. With this group Lisa will have the opportunity to perform in the American Music Theatre and tour the nation for the seven months following.

Lisa was not only recognized for competition in contest, however. An active member of Drama Club, she played a major role in each April Antics and every musical production. When there were time periods between high school productions, the Community Theatre Guild casted Lisa for major roles in three musicals.

In 1980, Lisa will attend I.U. where she will major in telecommunications. Lisa's goal after college is to become a professional entertainer.





Gwendolyn Sue Flitter (Bisacky) — Drama Club 2; DECA 3, 4. **Rick Foreman. Randy Frank, Mary Franklin** — Intramurals 4; Quest 2-4.

Leslie Fritts — Band 2-4; For. Exch. 2-4; intramurals 3; volleyball 2. **Lisa Frost** — Student Council 2, 3; swimming 2-4; Pep Club 2-4. **Brian Gallagher. William Garpow.**

Mike Garrett — swimming 2-4. **Ron Garrison. Kathy Gee** — For. Exch. 4; V-Teens 4; Quest 4; Student Council 2; FEA 3; gymnastics 4. **Jackie Geller** — For. Exch. 4; YARC 2; Drama Club 3; Quest 4; Pep Club 2-4.

David Gertsmeier — intramurals 2-4; Quest 4; cross country 2-4; track 2-4. **Kent Gesse** — Quest 3. **Lisa Giacobbe** — For. Exch. 2-4; intramurals 3, 4; Valenian 3, 4; Quill & Scroll 3, 4; Drama Club 2-4; Aquanauts 2, 3; Pep Club 2-4; Exch. Student 4. **Elliott Glynn** — swimming 2-4.

Tom Golando. Jon Gold — intramurals 2-4. **Jeanne Golding** — Band 2-4; For. Exch. 2-4; intramurals 2-4; Quest 3. **Jerry Gott** — FCA 2, 3; Quest 3; basketball 2-4; track 3.

Vicki Gould. Susan Graham — intramurals 3, 4; Quest 3, 4; basketball 2; Aquanauts 2-4; Pep Club 2-4. **Charles Gray** — Quest 2, 4. **Steve Gray** — For. Exch. 4; intramurals 2; Quest 3, 4.

Mary Greenwald — Band 2-4; For. Exch. 2-4; NHS 3, 4; Quest 2. **Pat Griffin** — Quest 4. **Ken Grindley** — intramurals 2, 3; football 2-4; track 2-4. **Erik Gustafson** — VICA 4; baseball 2-4.

Through the hoop and beyond



Attempting a shot from the outside near the baseline, senior varsity player Judy Harren shoots for two.

Gail Guzek — Band. **Antoinette Hackett** — For. Exch. 2-4; Vikettes 2-4; 3, 4. **Merribeth Hall** — V-Teens 2; Vikettes 2-4; choir 3, 4. **Sandy Halsted** — track 2.

Kathy Hanner — Band 2-4; intramurals 4; Drama Club 2-4; Thespians 2-4; Wind Ensemble 2, 3; Orchestra 2, 3; track 2, 3. **Lynn Harrington**. **Robert Hartwell** — For. Exch. 2-4; intramurals 3, 4; NHS 4. **Troy Hartwig** — track 2-4; football 4.

Richard Hartz — Band 3; Chess Club 2; VICA 2 (v.p.). **Cindy Hauber** — gymnastics 2, 3. **Valerie Hawes** — For. Exch. 2-4; intramurals 3, 4; Quest 2; OEA 4. **Katherine Hay** — FCA 3, 4; For. Exch. 2-4; intramurals 3; basketball 2, 3; Lang. Club 3; Ski Club 3, 4; National Merit Scholarship Finalist.





Johanna Head — intramurals 4; V-Teens 2; Student Council 2; Pep Club 2, 3. **Brenda Heaster** — For. Exch. 2-4; Valenian 2-4 (co-editor, 4); Quill & Scroll 2-4 (v.p., 4); Quest 4; For. Lang. Club 2, 3; NHS 3, 4. **Dale Heinz. Andrea Held** — For. Exch. Student from Germany, Quest 4.

Joann Helms — For. Exch. 2; intramurals 3, 4; NHS 3, 4; Quest 4; basketball 2, 3; track 2-4; Aquanauts 2. **Timothy Henderson. Deborah Hendrixson** — Vikettes 2-4; V-Teens 2. **Mike Herndon.**

Judith Herren — FCA 3, 4; intramurals 2-4; Quest 2-4; basketball 2-4; track 3. **Julie Hibbs** — DECA 3, 4. **Susan Hickey** — For. Exch. 2; tennis 2-4. **Jeff Hicks** — For. Exch. 4; Band 4; intramurals 2; Jazz Band 4; Drama Club 4.

Pam Hiener — Band 2, 3; For. Exch. 2; V-Teens 2-4; Student Council 2; Pep Club 2-4; Choir 2-4. **Pia Hiller** — For. Exch. 2, 3; intramurals 3, 4; V-Teens 3, 4; NHS 3, 4; Student Council 4; Pep Club 2-4. **Jamie Hodurek** — For. Exch. 3, 4; intramurals 2-4; YARC 2-4; Choir 2, 4. **Bill Hohl** — intramurals 2-4.

Tim Howard. Janice Hreha — For. Exch. 2-4; Quest 2, 4; Pep Club 2-4 (sec. 3, treas. 4). **Larry Huck. Patricia Hurley.**

Cyndi Huseman — FCA 3, 4; Drama Club 2, 3; Quest 4; tennis 2; Pep Club 2-4. **Elizabeth Hush** — Quest 2. **Carrie Huston** — Fr. Exch. 3; Quest 3, 4; Student Council 3; basketball 2; tennis 2; Pep Club 2, 3. **Pam Hutton** — Band 2-4; For Exch. 4; Quest 4; FEA 2, 3; Flag Corp 3, 4.

Raellen Ingram — Band 2, 3; For. Exch. 2, 3; V-Teens 2; Quest 3. **Jennifer Izydorek** — Quest 3, 4; Student Council 4; swimming 3. **Jeff Jackson** — intramurals 3; golf 2-4. **Kathy Jankowski.**

Mark Johansen — Drama Club 4; Quest 3; Choir 3, 4; Swing Choir 3, 4. **John Johnson** — intramurals 2-4; DECA 3, 4; tennis 2. **Maureen Johnson** — Band 2-4; For. Exch. 2-4; NHS 4. **Susan Johnson** — For. Exch. 3.

Christine Johnson — intramurals 2, 3; Homecoming Princess 4; Quest 3, 4; Pep Club 2-4. **Bill Jones** — intramurals 4; baseball 2-4. **Deborah Julian** — For. Exch. 2; V-Teens 2, 3 (v-p., 3); Drama Club 2, 3; DECA 3, 4 (State Dist. Pres., 4); Choir 2, 3. **Tina Kanne.**

Mary Karcher — V-Teens 2-4 (pres. 3, v-p 4); V-kettes 2, 3; Pep Club 2-4. **Kunio Kasahara** — For. Exch. 4; swimming 4. **Mike Keller. John Kelley** — Band 2-4; FCA 2-4; intramurals 2-4; Jazz Band 2-4; Valenian 2-4 (co-editor 4); NHS 3, 4; Quill & Scroll 2-4 (pres. 4); Drama Club 2-4; Choir 2, 3; tennis 2.

Margaret Kendall — For. Exch. 2-4; VTO 2-4; Student Council 2; swimming 1-4. **Craig Kenworthy** — intramurals 2; football 2-4; baseball 2-4. **Dean Kilavos** — Drama Club 2. **Laura King.**

Cliff Kissinger — Band 2-4; football 2-4; wrestling 2-4. **George Klein** — Band 2. **Ray Kluth** — football 3. **Janet Koberna** — Valenian 3, 4; NHS 4; Quill & Scroll 3, 4.

Carrie Koch — Pep Club 2, 3. **Sandra Kopczak** — Quest 2; Pep Club 2-4. **Susan Kropp** — For. Exch. 4; Quest 4. **Gary Krueger** — FCA 2-4 (v-p 4); NHS 3, 4; Quest 4; basketball 2-4; golf 1-4.

Ralph LaBarr. Deborah Lahti — FCA 2-4; intramurals 2-4; Quest 2-4; volleyball 2-4; basketball 2-4; Pep Club 2, 3. **Andrew Lang. Terry Lang** — FCA 4.





Patricia Laugherty — Quest 2-4; OEA 4 (pres. 4); Choir 2, 3; volleyball 2, 3. **Brad Lauman** — FCA 3, 4; For. Exch. 2-4; intramurals 2-4; Valenian 3; NHS 3, 4 (v-p 4); Student Faculty Senate 2-4; Quill & Scroll 3; Quest 4; tennis 2; Student Council 3, 4 (pres. 4). **Willy Laurence**. **Dave Lebryk** — YARC 2; NHS 3, 4 (pres. 4); baseball 2-4; football 2-4; basketball 2-4.

Brenda Leffel — VICA (treas.). **Corbin Leininger** — intramurals 3, 4; Quest 4; football 2-4; basketball 2. **Laurie Lemmons** — For. Exch. 2-4; intramurals 2-4; V-Teens 3, 4; Valenian 4; Pep Club 2-4 (sportshead 4); Student Council 1, 2; Quill & Scroll 4. **Kenneth Luebke** — Band 2-4; Jazz Band 2-4.

Joseph Leveritt — football 2-4. **Wendy Liddle** — Carousels 2; Carolers 3, 4. **Kurt Lightcap** — intramurals 4; football 4; track 4. **Greg Loeffler** — intramurals 4; football 2-4; track 3.

Ready to start a new game



As a two-year member of the varsity volleyball team, Mary Shaffer waits for the serve from Michigan City Elston during sectionals.

An exception to the rule

Frequently students whose unexcused and excused absences become a routine of their daily high school life are identified as rather bothersome individuals. There are exceptions though, and one happens to be Gary Krueger. When Gary's name appears on the attendance bulletin, you won't find him grabbing a bite to eat at Perkin's or browsing through Southlake Mall. You'll have much better luck by searching a golf course during tournament time or by attending an awards ceremony where former President Ford is honoring Gary and other outstanding golfers. Yes, anyone observing Gary Krueger's accomplishments would have to agree — he is an exception.

Gary began his high school golf career in 1976 as a freshman. Not only did he compete on the varsity level, but he was also voted into the Duneland Conference team. Following his freshman year, Gary participated in local and national tournaments. In addition to

winning the Forest Park Junior Championship for the second time, which he would win again in 1978, he drew national attention by finishing 17th at the National Insurance Youth Classic. Again, in 1977, he was named to the Duneland Conference team, as he would be throughout high school.

The summer months brought about more tournaments, and more experience. With the summer of 1977 as a launching pad, Gary was ready to blast-off in 1978. Beginning with being named Duneland Conference's Most Valuable Player, Gary was playing the best golf of his life, so far. His national recognition grew by finishing fifth in two national tournaments: the National Insurance Youth Classic, and the Junior Tournament of Champions. Also proving he could compete with any top junior, Gary was one of 36 players involved in the U.S. Junior Golf Association finals. To add a finishing touch on a phenomenal summer, the

U.S.J.G.A. commended Gary by awarding him the second team All-American classification. This assured him of a place among the top 30 junior golfers in the nation.

Although Gary would enjoy playing year round, Indiana's golf courses cannot cope with the vigorous winters. Therefore, Gary turns his dedication to basketball during the winter months. Playing guard, he was a two-year letterman. He was also responsible, in part, for the second half season surge by the Vikings in 1979. This was evident as he was voted both Captain and co-most valuable player along with Brad Blastick.

In addition to his athletic accomplishments, Gary has proved himself academically. Gary finished high school with a class rank of 50 and was a member of National Honor Society and president of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. In the fall, Gary will be attending Texas A & M on a golf scholarship.

Rose Long. William Lucatis — For. Exch. 3; intramurals 3. **Lise Lunsford** — Band 2, 3; For. Exch. 3, 4; intramurals 4; track 2, 3; gymnastics 2, 3. **Lorri Lunsford** — Band 2, 3.

Mark Luther — football 2, 3; basketball 2, 3; baseball 2, 3. **Matt Lux** — intramurals 2-4; football 2-4. **Ann Lyons. Jeff Maciejewski.**

Karen Mack. JoBeth Madsen — Band 2-4 (pres. 4); intramurals 3, 4; Jazz Band 2-4; NHS 3, 4; Student Faculty Senate 3; Drama Club 2-4 (pres. 4); Student Council 2-4 (sec. 3); Pep Club 4. **Mike Malackowski** — Band 2, 3; Valenian 4; Student Faculty Senate 4; Quill & Scroll 3, 4; Student Council 2-4. **Arnold Mammarella** — intramurals 3, 4; golf 2; basketball (mgr.) 2-4.





Craig Mammelson. Rich Manago. Lori Mann — For. Exch. 4; V-Teens 2; Quest 4. **Eric Mannel** — For. Exch. 2-4; NHS 2-4; Student Faculty Senate 4 (sec.); basketball manager 4.

Gregg Manogg. Debbie Marasco — For. Exch. 3, 4; V-Teens 2-4 (pres. 4); Drama Club 2; Student Council 4; golf 4; Pep Club 2-4. **Dave Marshall** — intramurals 2, 4; football 2. **Brenda Martin** — For. Exch. 2-4; intramurals 2; track (scorekeeper) 4; volleyball 2, 3.

Constance Martin — FCA 3, 4; For. Exch. 2, 4; intramurals 3, 4; V-Teens 3-4 (treas. 4); Drama Club 2, 3; Student Council 4; track 2-4; basketball 2-4; Pep Club 2-4. **Vicki Martin. Mark McGuirl** — NHS 3; Chess Club 3; Quest 4. **Mark Mead**.

Sharon Mead — For. Exch. 2; intramurals 4; V-Teens 2-4; Vikettes 2; Drama Club 2-4; OEA 4. **Anna Meece** — intramurals 2; V-Teens 2-4; NHS 3, 4; Drama Club 2-4; Choir 2-4; Pep Club 2-4. **Mitch Merle. Terry Mertz**.

John Mieczekowski. Joe Milianta. Daralee Miller. Todd Miller — Quest 2; VICA 2.

Jeff Morris — Band 2; basketball 2, 3; baseball 2. **Suzanne Morse** — Band 2-4; For. Exch. 2-4; intramurals 2-4; Flag Corp 3, 4; Lang. Club 3. **Michele Moser** — NHS 3, 4; Aquanauts 2; Student Council 2, 4; Pep Club 3. **Kim Muench** — Quest 3, 4.

Andres Munoz — Exchange Student from Peru. **Daniel Munoz. Kathy Murphy. Shannon Murphy** — FCA 2-4; For. Exch. 2; intramurals 2; golf 1-4; swimming 1; Varsity tennis 1-3; Pep Club 2-4; Quest 4.

Julie Murvihill. Kay Mussman — Quest 2; Vikettes 2, 3; Choir 3. **Jeff Neeley** — football 2-4; wrestling 2-4; baseball 2-4. **Louise Neis** — intramurals 3; VTO 2-4; swimming 2-4 (co-capt. 4); track 2-4; FCA 2; Aquanauts 2.

Carole Nelson. Beth Newland — For. Exch. 2-4; intramurals 3; V-Teens 2-4. **Bill Nibbe. Lora Nightingale** — intramurals 4; gymnastics 2; Pep Club 2; Quest 4.

Sue Niland — Band 2, 3; For. Exch. 2-4; intramurals 2-4; V-Teens 2, 4; Pep Club 2-4; Student Council 2. **Mark Noneff** — Student Council 3. **Patrick Noonan** — intramurals 2; Quest 2; VICA 2 (treas.); track 1-4; cross country 1-4 (capt.). **Donna North** — Band 2-4; For. Exch. 2; NHS 3, 4; Quest 4; Student Council 2, 3



Gowns cap senior year



As one of the prerequisites for graduation, bookstore clerks Rob Daniel and Molly Dougherty measure Donna Raymond for her cap and gown.



Dennis Novak — intramurals 3, 4; Homecoming Escort 4; swimming 2, 3. **Kimberly Nappnau** — FCA 2-4; Quest 4; FEA 2; cheerleader 2; Pep Club 2-4 (sec 3); P.V.E. teaching lab. 3, 4. **Nancy Oliver** — For. Exch. 2; NHS 3, 4 (sec.); Quest 2-4; cheerleader 2-4; Pep Club 2-4; Jr. Class Treas.; Sr. Class Treas. **Leslie Olsen** — For. Exch. 2; Valenian 4; Quill & Scroll 4; volleyball 2; Quest 2, 4.

Eugene O'Neill — intramurals 3, 4; NHS 3, 4; Student Council 3, 4; basketball 2; National Merit Scholarship Finalist. **Julie Ortega** — FCA 3; Quest 2; swimming 2. **Mike Osterhout** — intramurals 2-4. **Barb Owens** — For. Exch. 2, 3; Quest 2-4.

Mike Pavlick. Mike Peters — VICA 3, 4 (v-p). **Richard Philip** — FCA 2-4; NHS 3, 4; Student Council 3; baseball 2-4; cheerleader 2; intramurals 2-4. **Roger Piatek**.

Fred Pittman — Student Faculty Senate 3; Student Council 2, 3; football 2; wrestling (manager) 4. **Teah Pitts** — intramurals 2, 3; Quest 2; track 2; Pep Club 2-4. **Chris Platt** — Band 2-4; Jazz Band 2, 3. **Steve Plazony**.

Susan Potis — FCA 3; Quest 3, 4; track 3, 4; Pep Club 2, 3. **Doug Powell** — basketball 2-4. **Blain Powers** — intramurals 2-4. **Stephanie Price** — Band 2; intramurals 2; Choir 2.

April Pullins — Band 2-4; For. Exch. 2-4; NHS 3, 4; For. Lang. Club 3; intramurals 2-4. **Dawn Quiggle** — Band 2, 3; For. Exch. 4; intramurals 2; VICA 2. **Barb Raber** — Band 2-4; For. Exch. 2, 3; NHS 3, 4; Homecoming Court 4; NHS 3, 4; Drama Club 2-4; Student Council 4; track 2; cheerleader 2; Pep Club 2-4; Drum Major 3, 4. **Roger Raelson**.

Rorie Raelson — FCA 4; intramurals 2-4; Quest 4; volleyball 2, 3; track 3, 4; basketball 2-4. **Sara Ramirez** — Band 2-4; For. Exch. 2-4; intramurals 2-4; V-Teens 2-4; NHS 3, 4; swimming 2; Lang. Club 2, 3 (sec.); Pep Club 2-4. **Donna Raymond** — intramurals 2, 3; V-Teens 3, 4; Valenian 4; Homecoming Queen 4; cheerleader 2-4; tennis 2; Pep Club 2-4. **Kathy Raymond** — intramurals 2, 3; Quest 2, 3; DECA 4; Pep Club 2, 3; tennis 2.

Cindy Reavis — For. Exch. 2-4; Student Council 3, 4; Student Faculty Senate 2, 3; Quill & Scroll 4; Drama Club 2, 3; Pep Club 2-4 (pres. 4); Girl's State Del. 3, Valenian 4. **Becky Redelman** — Quest 2; track 2-4; swimming 2. **Dan Reed. Mary Reichert.**

Melissa Reinhertz — track 4; Pep Club 3. **Laura Rettinger** — OEA 4. **Karen Reynolds** — NHS 3, 4; Quest 3, 4; OEA 4. **Jeff Rice** — VICA 2.

Laura Ritter — For. Exch. 3, 4. **Dave Robinson** — Band 2-4; Jazz Band 2-4. **Cyndi Rogness** — Quest 3, 4; Pep Club 2, 3; Peer Counseling 4. **Kevin Roof** — football 3, 4; track 2.

Anne Rose — intramurals 2; Quest 2; basketball 2-4; volleyball 2-4; Choir 2. **Tim Rose. Kristine Rubel** — Band 2-4; NHS 3, 4. **Alison Rush** — For. Exch. 2; intramurals 2, 4; NHS 4; Student Faculty Senate 2, 3 (pres. 3); Student Council 2-4; Quest 3, 4; Pep Club 2-4 (v-p 4).

Tammy Russell — NHS 3, 4; FEA 2; intramurals 2; Quest 4. **Jackie Sacks. Colleen Sanford** — For. Exch. 2-4; V-Teens 2; Flag Corp 4; track 2-4. **Lisa Schantz** — For. Exch. 3, 4 (treas. 4); NHS 4; Quest 4.

Patty Schiek — Band 2-4; For. Exch. 2-4; Drama Club 2-4; Flag Corp 3, 4. **Sarah Schroeder** — Band 2-4; For. Exch. 2, 4; V-Teens 2; Drama Club 3, 4; Flag Corp 3, 4; Pep Band 4. **Terri Lynn Schroeder** — Band 2-4; For. Exch. 4; Drama Club 3. **Deborah Schueler** — YARC 2; tennis 2; track 2; volleyball 2, 3; basketball 2; Quest 2.

Caroline Schmaker — Band 2-4; For. Exch. 4; Drama Club 4; Choir 3, 4. **Karin Selman. Mary Shaffer** — NHS 3, 4; Quest 4; volleyball 2-4. **Greg Short.**



Busting loose blows the budget

That big year finally arrived with a bang. The seniors were looking forward to it as their last year at the old meat grinder known as high school, before they finally hit the big time at college or in the job market. Parents were ecstatic too because, for them, it was the last year they had to dish out this and that for the kid, (unless of course he was going to college, which would cause them four more years of headache), and they hoped that at last, the major portion of the family's budget for 12 years would go out into the world and start bringing in some money of his own.

Just as they paid the book rental and were settling down to a year of comparatively little expense, the senior came home and said it was time to have his picture taken, and senior pictures were THE picture of the high school career and cost a lot money. The average senior at VHS paid \$54 for his senior pictures.

Back on their financial feet after

that expense, November rolled around and it was time to order graduation announcements — a must for any self-respecting senior with class. Although graduation was still six months away, they had to be ordered so they could be personalized. Of course the stamps would cost a packet too, but the average price of announcements at VHS was \$27.

December was quiet, but in January, the time had rolled around for caps and gowns to be ordered. A deposit of \$6 was required, and although it wasn't much, the parents inquired at the bank about getting a second mortgage on the house.

Finally, May rolled around and the parents were filled with the joy that accompanies the release from expenses caused by graduation. Yet, the senior needed clothes to wear under his gown, and shoes for his feet. And then, after the ceremony, the party began.



Steve Sier — intramurals 2, 3, football 2, 3. **Tami Sick**. **Carla Siddall** — Quest 4. **Tom Sieger** — Band 3.

Mark Sier — intramurals 3. **Lisa Silhavy** — For. Exch. 2-4; V-Teens 2; Quest 3, 4; gymnastics 2. **Brian Sinclair** — For. Exch. 2-4 (v-p); intramurals 2-4; VTO 2-4; swimming 2-4 (capt. 4); track 4; Aquanauts 2-4. **Sonia Sison** — For. Exch. 2, 3; intramurals 2, 3; Vikettes 3; Drama Club 3; Choir 2-4; diving 3; Aquanauts 2-4; Carolers 3, 4.

Michael Sizen — wrestling 3, 4. **Jackie Smith** — For. Exch. 3, 4; Student Faculty Senate 3; Drama Club 4; Pep Club 2-4. **Michael Smith** — FCA 2-4 (pres. — 4); intramurals 3; golf 2, 3; basketball 2, 4. **James Stanton** — intramurals 2-4; golf 1-4; Homecoming Escort 4; football 2-4.

Favorites match pre-race bets



Bekki Evans and Mary Greenawald copped the honors as the seniors with the highest academic ratings and gave the valedictorian and salutatorian speeches at commencement.

Undoubtably it has to be one of the hardest to keep secrets of the senior year. Although the Guidance Office issues it the highest security rating of any of its files, gradually, the news of who's going to be the valedictorian and the salutatorian filters down the grapevine and throughout the ranks of the seniors.

Sometimes the names are a surprise, but when they were finally announced in the early part of May, the news wasn't really news, rather a confirmation of the fact. Both girls had already been one and two when the preliminary ranking came out in September, and finally, the Guidance Office confirmed that the two people were Bekki Evans and Mary Greenawald. Few students were surprised because both of them had maintained near perfect or perfect grade point averages throughout high school.

Without the titles, robes, and gold tassels that accompany their honors, however, Bekki and Mary shared the

same characteristics as most other American high school students. Both were members of the National Honor Society and Foreign Exchange Club. Bekki was also a three year member of the swimming team who also worked at boys' swim meets as a timer. Besides being co-captain of the swim team in her senior year, she was also a vice president of her class for three years. In the summer of her junior year, Bekki spent her time overseas as a participant in the I.U. Honors Program, which she qualified for by passing a battery of tests. Mary devoted many hours to the marching and concert bands and participated in NISBOVA as a member of woodwind ensembles and the band. She also competed on the winning team in the Michiana Women's Math Contest.

In the fall, Mary and Bekki will enter Purdue where Mary will study engineering and Bekki, German and architecture.

Andy Snyder — For. Exch. 2-4; intramurals 3, 4; Quest 3; swimming 3, 4; tennis 2; Boys State 3.
Donna Sobkowiak. Paul Sommer — For. Exch. 2; Quest 3, 4. **Scott Sommers** — cross country 3; track 3.

Dennis Spoor — intramurals 4; Quest 3; baseball 2-4; wrestling 2-4. **Wendy Stalbaum** — Quest 4. **Terry Stasierowski** — Band 2, 3; Quest 4. **Greg Staub** — Band 2, 3; VICA 3, 4 (v-p 3; pres. 4).

Carolyn Stempora — For. Exch. 2; V-Teens 2; NHS 3, 4; FEA 2; Pep Club 2. **Jurgen Stohler.**
Leigh Stokes — intramurals 3; Quest 3; basketball 2-4; track 1-4. **Tina Stout** — OEA 4.





Mary Straka — For. Exch. 2; Drama Club 2; V-kettes 3. **Ken Strehler** — intramurals 2-4. **Laura Ann Strimbu** — Quest 3, 4; V-kettes 2-4; Pep Club 3, 4. **Susan Strikwerda** — Quest 4.

Chris Strohl — Quest 4; volleyball 2; basketball 2. **Dan Sturdevant** — Band 3. **Mary Summers** — Band 2, 3. **Lynne Sundwall** — Band 2-4; For. Exch. 2-4.

Jeff Susdorf — For. Exch. 2; intramurals 2; VICA 2; football 4; baseball 4; track 2. **Cheryl Tauck** — intramurals 3; Quest 3, 4. **Sharon Telschow** — Band 2, 3; Quest 2. **Michael Terpstra** — intramurals 3.

Lincoln Thormahlen. Nancy Tiebert — For. Exch. 4; V-Teens 4; Quest 4; tennis 2. **Mike Tonner** — For. Exch. 4; intramurals 2; NHS 3, 4; Student Council 2, 4; tennis 2; swimming 3, 4. **Lynne Trapp**.

Harry Treadway — soccer 2, 3. **Linda Trowbridge. Pat Tudor** — intramurals 3; NHS 3, 4; Student Council 2; Junior Class President; Senior Class President. **Tom Uban** — Band 2, 3; Jazz Band 4.

Andy Upton — football 2; choir 4. **Shelly Valette** — intramurals 2; V-Teens 2; For. Exch. 2. **Laurie Velchek** — V-Teens 2. **Bretta Wagner** — For. Exch. 2-4; intramurals 2; Drama Club 2, 3; FEA 2, 3; Choir 2; basketball 2, 4; track 4.

Jim Walker. Bill Walsh — intramurals 4. **Mike Walsh** — intramurals 2. **Michelle Ward** — Band 2, 3; V-Teens 2-4; For. Exch. 2; Pep Club 2; Flag Corp 3.

Belinda Watts — Band 2-4; FCA 3, 4; For. Exch. 2-4; intramurals 2, 4; basketball 2, 3. **Carol Wegryn** — Vikettes 2; OEA 4; Quest 4; Pep Club 2. **Suzanne Wellner** — Band 2-4; For. Exch. 3, 4; Jazz Band 2, 3; NHS 3, 4; Pep Band 2, 3. **Jim Wells** — VICA 3, 4; football 2; track 2; wrestling 2.

Robert Welsh — football 2, 3; track 2, 4; intramurals 2. **Michele Wessel** — Band 2-4; V-Teens 2; Choir 3, 4; intramurals 2-4; Quest 2. **Jeff Wieland** — For. Exch. 2. **Barb Wiggins** — VICA 3, 4; golf 2-4.

Carole Wilson. Keith Wilson — football 2-4; track 2-4. **Steve Wilson** — YARC 4; track 4; soccer 4. **Greg Winters** — baseball 2-4; wrestling 2, 3.



No more pencils, no more books?



As Bekki Evans gives a presentation to the City Council, Clerk-Treasurer Rob Daniels and Mayor Matt Lux listen to her views on zoning.



Margo Woodruff — For. Exch. 2, 4; FCA 2-4; intramurals 2-4; Student Council 2-4; FEA 2-4; track 2-4. **Melanee Worthen. Bill Wright** — intramurals 2-4; track 2; football 2-4; cross country 2. **Mark Yoder** — intramurals 2-4.

Rick Young — FCA 3; football 3, 4; track 3; baseball 4. **Christine Zahn. Linda Zehner** — intramurals 2; Quest 4; OEA 4 (v-p); Pep Club 2. **Theresa Zell** — track 2.

John Zrodowski — For. Exch. 2-4; Quest 4. **Susan Bihlman. Anadir DaCunha** — Exchange Student from Brazil.

Seniors Not Pictured

Airey, Lisa
Barros, Paul
Beutler, Chris
Blasko, Ron
Blossom, Violet
Bogulslawski, Doug
Bonzani, Carey
Brownell, Greg
Burchuk, John
Camp, Cindy
Campbell, Mike
Carichoff, Steve
Chelf, Roy
Cornett, Tim
Cotton, Mike
Dantuma, Kirt
Dean, Jeff
Deiotte, Tim
Diller, Bob
Ehratein, Paul
Eichelberg, Lisa
Farrow, Tom
Fritts, Ed
Galey, Charles
Garbison, Ron
Gilger, Dale
Gottschling, Dan
Greaves, Don
Greer, Darryl
Haggerty, Jim
Halimi, Mike
Hammond, Tim
Hanke, Nancy

Hawkins, Jim
Hoffman, Kevin
Horan, Rusty
Horney, David
Howard, Mark
Johnson, Dan
Johnson, Mary
Jones, Mike
Kirk, Richard
Kurman, Chris
Lanyi, Don
Lee, Eric
Lomas, Kevin
Long, Dan
Mattoon, Michele
Maxey, Jeff
McGuire, Mark
McNamara, Andy
Medema, Alan
Nightingale, Dean
Nowlin, Terry
Ohm, Mark
Paris, Sandy
Parker, Alan
Paul, Roben
Pierce, Jim
Pursley, Dave
Rheew, Dave
Ronco, Jerry
Ross, Ed
Rothman, Craig
Rozdilsky, Tom
Ruwersma, Roger

Schneegas, Bob
Schnick, Ed
Scott, David
Snider, Ronda
Spencer, Tim
Stout, Mike
Strehler, Jim
Thompson, Brian
Thompson, Dale
Traywick, Nora
Trimble, Rhonda
Tucker, Nick
Wallen, Michelle
Woidke, Mark
Woodrow, Bob
Yates, Darlene

Juniors bake up, raffle off

"Hey Sue!" Can I have a ride home?"

"Sure, if you can wait a while. I've got to stay after for the Junior Class officer meeting. We're trying to get some ideas for Prom."

"Already? Prom is six months away?"

"Well, we have to start organizing now. We've got some great fund raising ideas like a bake sale and an album raffle, but our main problem is getting kids to participate. We had a workday in October and only six people showed up. We don't even have a theme yet, and we should be ordering our decorations soon."

"Wow, that sounds pretty grim."

"Yeah, everybody wants to go to Prom, but they don't want to help."

"Gee, I was going to be at the workday, but I thought there'd be enough people, so I skipped it and went to the mall instead."



Adams, Holly
Alcantara, Maria
Allen, Tina
Alvarez, Paul
Anderson, Karen
Anderson, Lynne
Anderson, Mark

Andrews, Claudia
Anleitner, Mary
Annen, Liz
Armstrong, Drew
Armstrong, Lori
Arnett, Kim
Bach, Julie

Baggs, Charlie
Banos, Lynette
Barker, Sheila
Beach, Brian
Beck, Mary
Becker, Jim
Belaschky, Amy

Bell, Linda
Bengel, Dirk
Benner, Pam
Bennett, Bruce
Bennett, Tracey
Berkoski, Chris
Berkoski, Pam





Bertholet, Kelly
Bicomong, Fernando
Birky, Mark
Bisacky, Michelle
Bish, Doug
Blau, Tammy
Bol, David

Bonzani, Lorie
Borchertmeyer, Susan
Bouche, Chuck
Boyd, Robert
Brady, James
Bratsakis, Jim
Bretscher, Nathan

Brockopp, Jon
Brosky, Denise
Brown, Tim
Bucher, Wendi
Bucich, Tony
Buehrie, Tammy
Byron, Daniel

Byvoets, Arjen
Carichoff, Kim
Carlos, Prudente
Carlson, Jean
Carlson, Terry
Casbon, Tacy
Casey, Shiela

Chambers, Cathy
Charon, Eric
Chelf, Karol
Childress, Lee
Choker, Paul
Chrustowski, Greg
Clark, Tim

Clauss, Dave
Clifford, Tina
Cole, Debbie
Comeford, Mary
Copsy, Dan
Corneil, Corbin
Corbie, Jeff

Courteau, Keith
Crise, Robert
Crowley, Anne
Curran, David
Czekaj, Angie
Daras, Mike
Davis, Marquita

Dawson, Rande
Dawson, Sherry
DeLong, Amie
Delp, Craig
Dobbins, Sheryl
Domer, Steve
Dommer, Janet

Dorward, Calvin
 Douglass, Debbie
 Downing, Debbie
 Drohan, Dominic
 Dugo, Laurie
 Duncan, Mike
 Dupes, Mary

Dutcher, Jamie
 Eaton, Shelley
 Egolf, Eric
 Eldridge, Terry
 Engelder, Steve
 Engstrom, Greg
 Ensign, Karl

Edwards, Sue
 Falls, Mark
 Farrow, David
 Fauser, Michelle
 Feldman, Mark
 Ferguson, Roxann
 Ferklic, Steve



Prom stumbles on sounds of silence



...last minute idea in developing
 ...are Lisa
 ...junior class advisor Vella
 Johnson.



Findling, Judy
 Fink, Penny
 Fitzsimmons, Freida
 Fleenor, Randy
 Frederick, Joyce
 Funk, Ann
 Furlin, Jeff

Furman, Mary
 Galow, Martha
 Gardin, Jeff
 Gast, Lynda
 Gebhart, Jay
 Glinski, David
 Goble, Bill

Goodenow, Lauren
 Gosch, Mary
 Graham, Mona
 Grieger, Wendy
 Griffin, John
 Gross, Vicki
 Grotzke, Roberta

Hagans, Nora
 Hanchar, David
 Hanna, David
 Hanson, Chris
 Harbold, Pam
 Harder, Carol
 Harrington, Beth

Hason, Agatha
 Hattok, Julie
 Hauser, David
 Hayden, Tom
 Hazlett, Michele
 Heath, Harry
 Henderson, Barbara

Henry, Rachel
 Hensel, Gary
 Hernandez, Dawn
 Hienes, Rod
 Hill, Rick
 Hines, Sue
 Hoehner, Anne

Hofferth, Erica
 Hofferth, Lisa
 Hohl, Laura
 Hoover, Steven
 Hovey, Lori
 Howard, Alison
 Howard, Martha

Hoyt, Tina
 Hoyt, Tom
 Hubbell, Ross
 Hunsberger, Heidi
 Hurley, Howard
 Hurst, Bonnie
 Inches, David

Jakob, Tom
Johanson, Paul
Jones, Pat
Joseph, Carol
Kalina, Paul
Karcher, Bill
Kassner, Debra



Keller, Mark
Kelley, Tim
Kendrick, Denise
Kenyon, Lisa
Kerlin, Bill
Kerns, Karen
Kilgour, Rachel



Kirscher, Helen
Kissinger, Karen
Kneifel, Karen
Koch, Kevin
Koday, Diane
Koenig, David
Kolczak, Rick



Koskey, Tina
Krebs, Ken
Krueger, Diane
Ku, Dave
'Ku, Steve
Kuehl, Robert
Kukulies, Gary



Kurtz, Robin
Lafferty, Kim
Laing, Mark
LaKanne, Susie
Landgrebe, Neil
Landry, Patrick
Langley, Ron



Larr, Marene
Larson, Pat
Lasky, Joy
Lawrence, Vickie
Leffel, Rhonda
Lethen, Lori
Leverich, Pat



Lindy, Greg
Lines, Rob
Linton, Vicki
Lohmeyer, Ruth
Lomas, Ken
Long, Kathy
Ludwig, Kevin



Luecke, Bill
Lundgren, Brad
Lyon, Jane
Macik, Jackie
Malone, Mike
Manatrey, Mark
Marasco, Mark





Marcinkowski, Brett
 Marner, Karen
 Marshall, Millie
 Martin, John
 Martinson, Steve
 Mason, David
 Matchett, Mark

Matern, Elizabeth
 Mathews, Tim
 Mathieu, Jackie
 Maupin, Steve
 Mavity, Mark
 Mayhew, Theresa
 McAleer, Tina

McCarron, Craig
 McColley, Therese
 McCormick, Pam
 McDaniels, Bev
 McFadden, Tom
 McFarland, Scott
 McGuire, Kathy

Caught in the middle — not lost in a crowd



Junior Sue Watts displays her skill as she goes for the rebound.

Cookin' up prom profits during lunch



McInerney, Pat
McKim, Joyce
Mertz, Lisa
Michell, Anita
Miller, Phil
Mischanko, Ed
Mitchell, Lisa

Mitchell, Lori
Mondello, Michelle
Moore, Billie Jo
Morrison, Bruce
Morrison, Scott
Moser, Diane
Moser, Kim

Mueller, Ron
Myers, Janet
Nagel, Katie
Neis, Eileen
Nelson, Gail
Netzhammer, John
Nibbe, Jim

Norfleet, Paula
Norris, Lance
Nulton, Chris
Nuss, Ron
O'Dell, Rob
Oglesby, Ken
Olson, Amy





Olszewski, Jeanette
Owens, Terry
Parks, Brenda
Parks, Donald
Paul, Irene
Pauley, Bruce
Pavacik, Mike

Pearson, Julie
Pera, Jeff
Perrine, Jeff
Peterson, Don
Phillips, Kim
Piper, Doreen
Pitts, Shawn

Platt, Jeff
Pollock, Scott
Porter, Diane
Prahlow, Chris
Priano, Tony
Quintero, Dave
Ramos, Brent

Redding, Tracey
Redman, Debra
Reed, Paul
Reeder, Brett
Reinhertz, Melinda
Rewersma, Wendell
Reynolds, Dawn

Rhew, Danny
Rhynard, Don
Rigga, Cheryl
Risk, Pam
Rogers, Carla
Rogers, Susan
Rush, Judy

Sachs, Ellie
Sacks, Brenda
Samay, Sandra
Sanford, Keith
Sawyer, Tom
Schumucker, John
Scholl, Katie

Scott, Jim
Schroeder, Bob
Schroeder, Scott
Schultz, Marci
Schulz, Kathy
Seeber, Carolyn
Shinabargar, Bob

Silhavy, Tina
Silhavy, Cynthia
Simon, Kim
Simpson, Darla
Singer, Darren
Sizen, Lynda
Skinner, Dan

Slingsby, Susan
Smith, Mary
Smith, Paul
Snider, Debbi
Sonaty, Kim
Spencer, Julie
Spicola, Rita

Starkey, Gary
Startt, Jim
Stavreff, Robert
Steele, Kathleen
Steinhilber, Rosemary
Stewart, Douglas
Stoner, Martha

Stout, Wanda
Strong, Robert
Sullivan, Sean
Swain, David
Swann, Sadonna
Swanson, David
Thomas, Bill

Thomas, Mike
Thompson, Kevin
Thompson, Scott
Thoreson, Tim
Tincher, Troy
Tonner, Brian
Tracy, Spencer



Middle class strides toward final hurdle

Juniors Not Pictured

Albert, Todd
Algonzine, Mike
Back, Cathy
Back, Tom
Barnes, Kerry
Benjamin, Carrie
Brown, Jim
Brown, Mark
Bucher, Wendi
Carr, Chris
Carullo, Jeffery
Crebase, Teresa
Creech, Dan
Cusick, Scott
Dawson, Cheryl
Diehl, Nancy
Douglass, Jim
Durham, Robert
Duvnjak, Susan
Eaton, Bill
Edwards, Susan
Foreman, Don
Frankus, Joe

Haggerty, Jim
Hans, Connie
Hatchett, Ron
Hayes, Dan
Hernandez, Jeff
Heron, Tom
Horwitz, Gregg
Ikeda, Jon
Jasper, Mike
Kratz, Mike
Manago, Joe
McFadden, Tim
Morgan, Steve
Murvihill, Tom
Neal, Bev
Newell, Jack
Norfleet, Tim
Peterson, Jeff
Pierce, Bob
Riley, Frank
Ross, Michelle
Rowe, Mark
Salyer, Mark

Scott, Ira
Scott, Jim
Smith, Scott
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"Did you hear that we're going to start raising money for Prom **this** year?"

"Yeah, we're going to have some bake sales and car washes, too. This way we won't have to worry about running short of money next year."

"Hey, speaking of money, have you ordered your class ring yet? I was thinking of the Starburst, or maybe just a plain college oval, or maybe ..."

"Aren't the sockhops neat? The discos are pretty good, too."

"Yeah, really. You know, I still can't believe how shocked we were when we first got here. Remember how big we thought it was?"

"Oh yeah. And remember when we had to use our maps to get around the school?"

"That was a real trip!"

"Right, and remember when ..."



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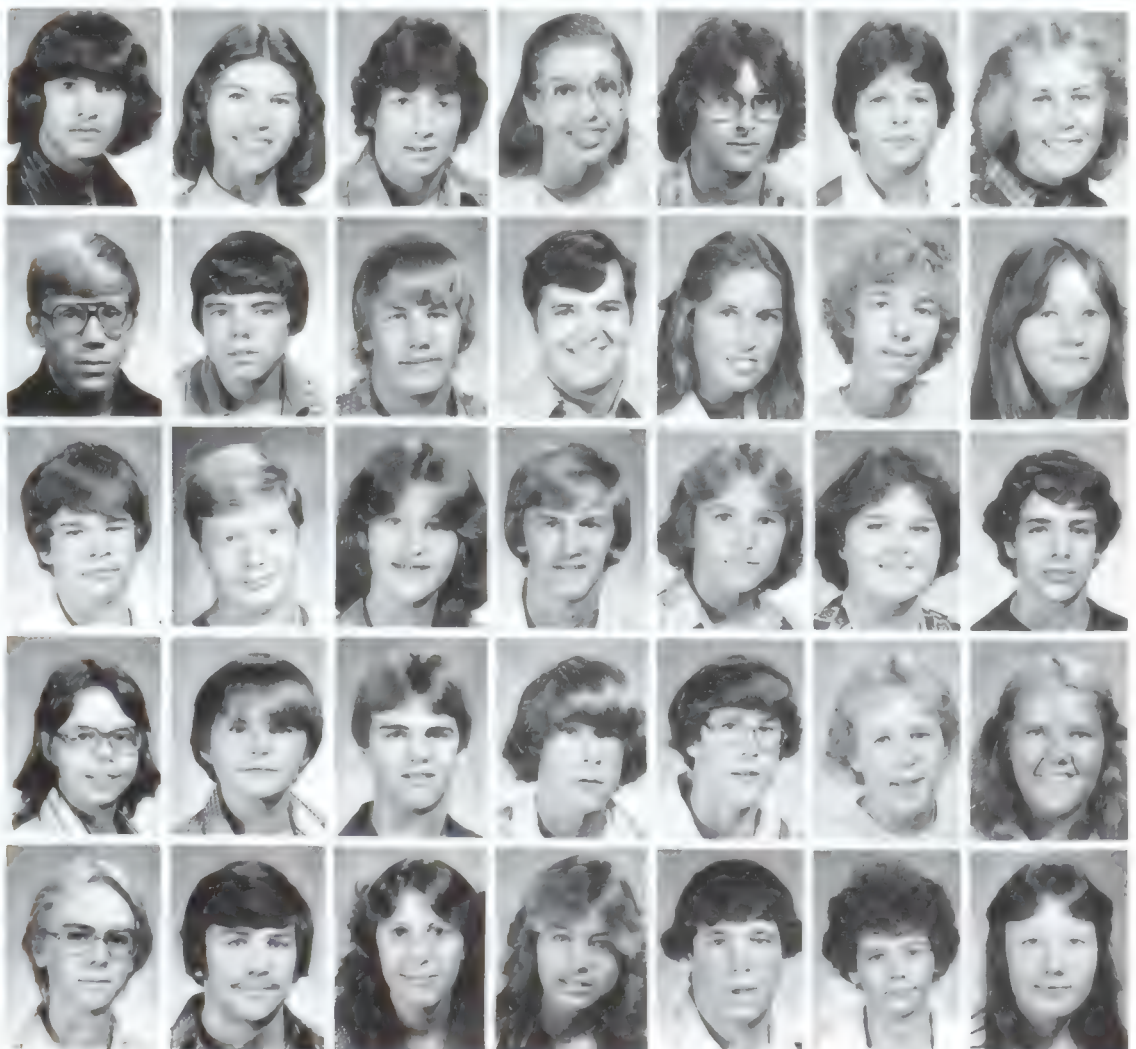
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Dutcher, Kim
Eaton, Debbie
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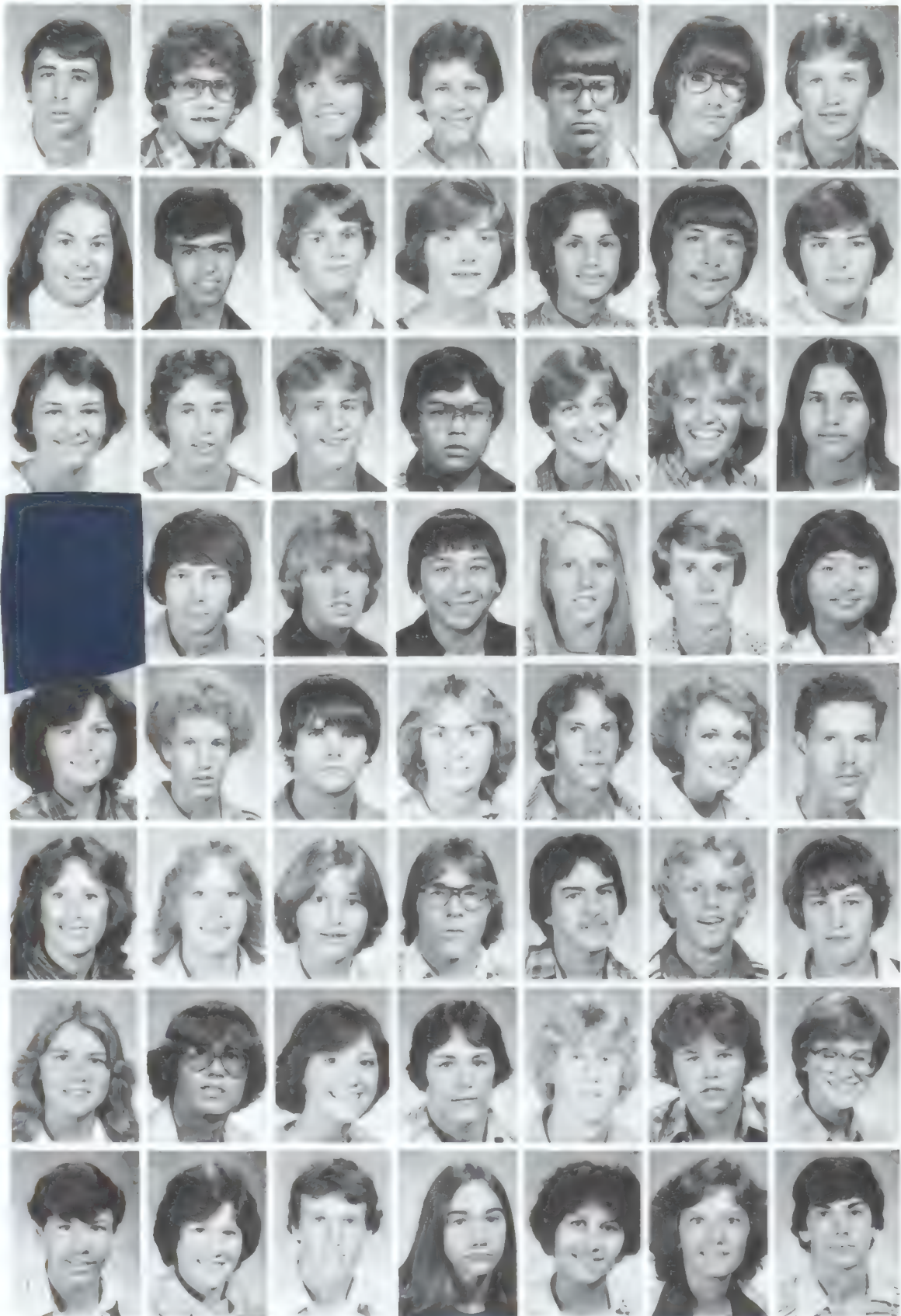
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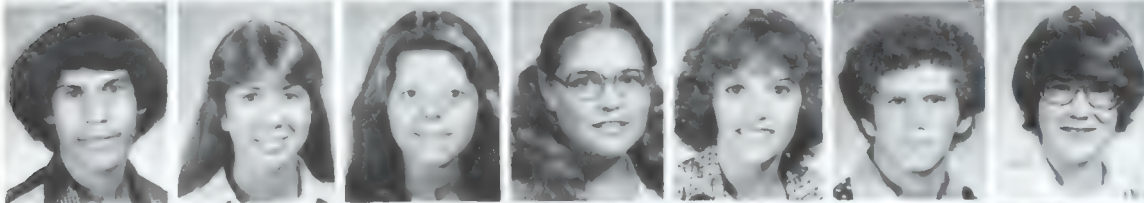




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49, 30—BIG BUCKS OR BUST

Although most towns and cities share few similarities in appearance today, they all looked the same when they first started out. Most early town planners began their cities with the designation of a central town square, and then built around it. Consequently, New York has its Manhattan, Chicago has the Loop, and Valparaiso has its courthouse square.

Unlike these cities, Valparaiso's downtown area is no longer the major business center of town. Sure, lawyers and the city and county governments hold business there, but the merchants no longer flourish in the downtown arena. Most native Valparaisans sarcastically refer to it as "dead."

The major reason for this decline was the movement of businessmen to the outside edges of town. With the establishment of malls in Merrillville, Michigan City, South Bend, and Calumet City, the shopper reached the point where he could drive in any direction and still have someplace to go.

One of the major blows to the downtown area in the past year occurred when the County Seat Mall officially opened its doors in the summer. In fact, some businesses from downtown relocated in the mall in hope of keeping their customers. New outlets also opened up in the mall and offered high fashion in clothes, such as the Village Scene, to the latest styles for hair at Anthony's.

Fast food chains also moved near the new mall to attract hungry shoppers. Cal's Corn Fed Beef and Long John Silver's Seafood Shoppes added their signs to the neon fast food chain city on Calumet Avenue's "Restaurant Row."

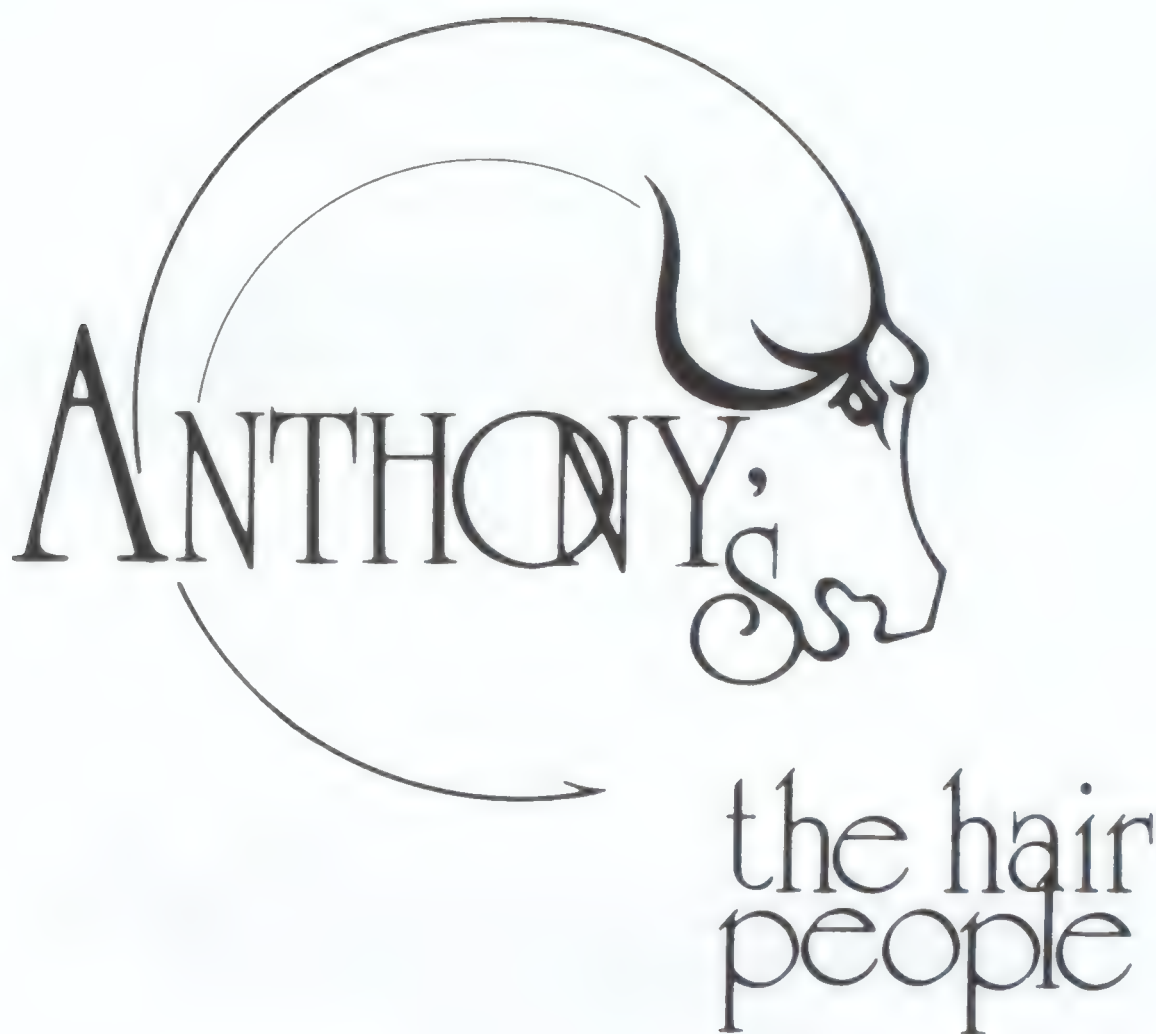
The banks soon followed on the heels of their patrons. Northern Indiana opened two branches on the north side of Costas and Tittles, in addition to the office on the south side in the Heritage Valley residential complex.

While the northsiders enjoyed the County Seat, the downtown merchants were sent reeling by another disaster. On the south side along U.S. 30, the Wiseway Complex opened. Smaller than the County Seat, the plaza featured Ribordy Drugs and Janiro's in addition to the wiseway store.

In addition to being the central business district, downtown Valparaiso also seats the Porter County government.

North 49 represents the same symbol of prosperity to many area merchants that US 66 did for the depression era migrants.





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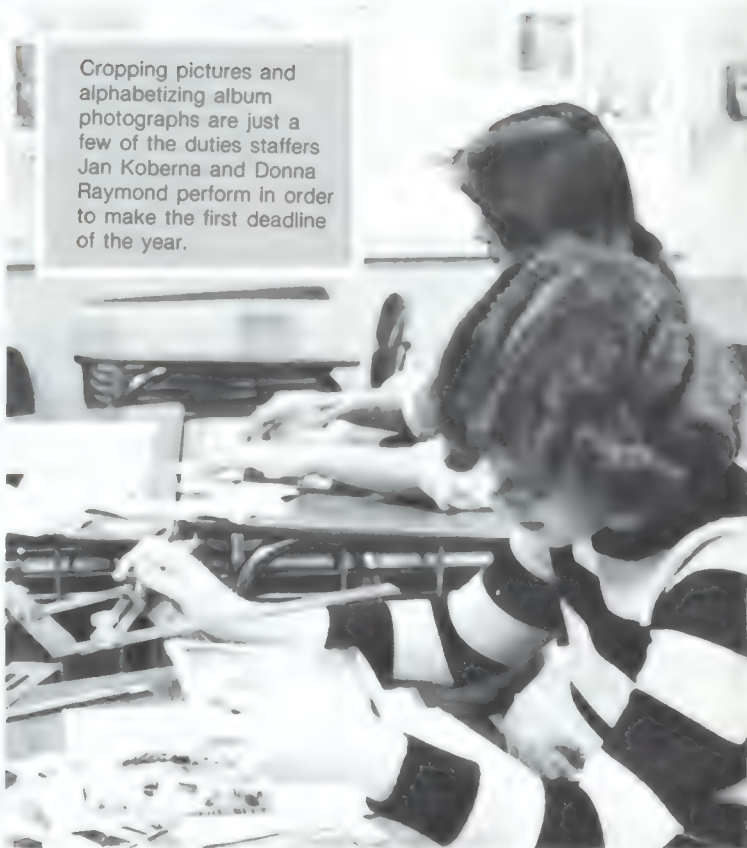
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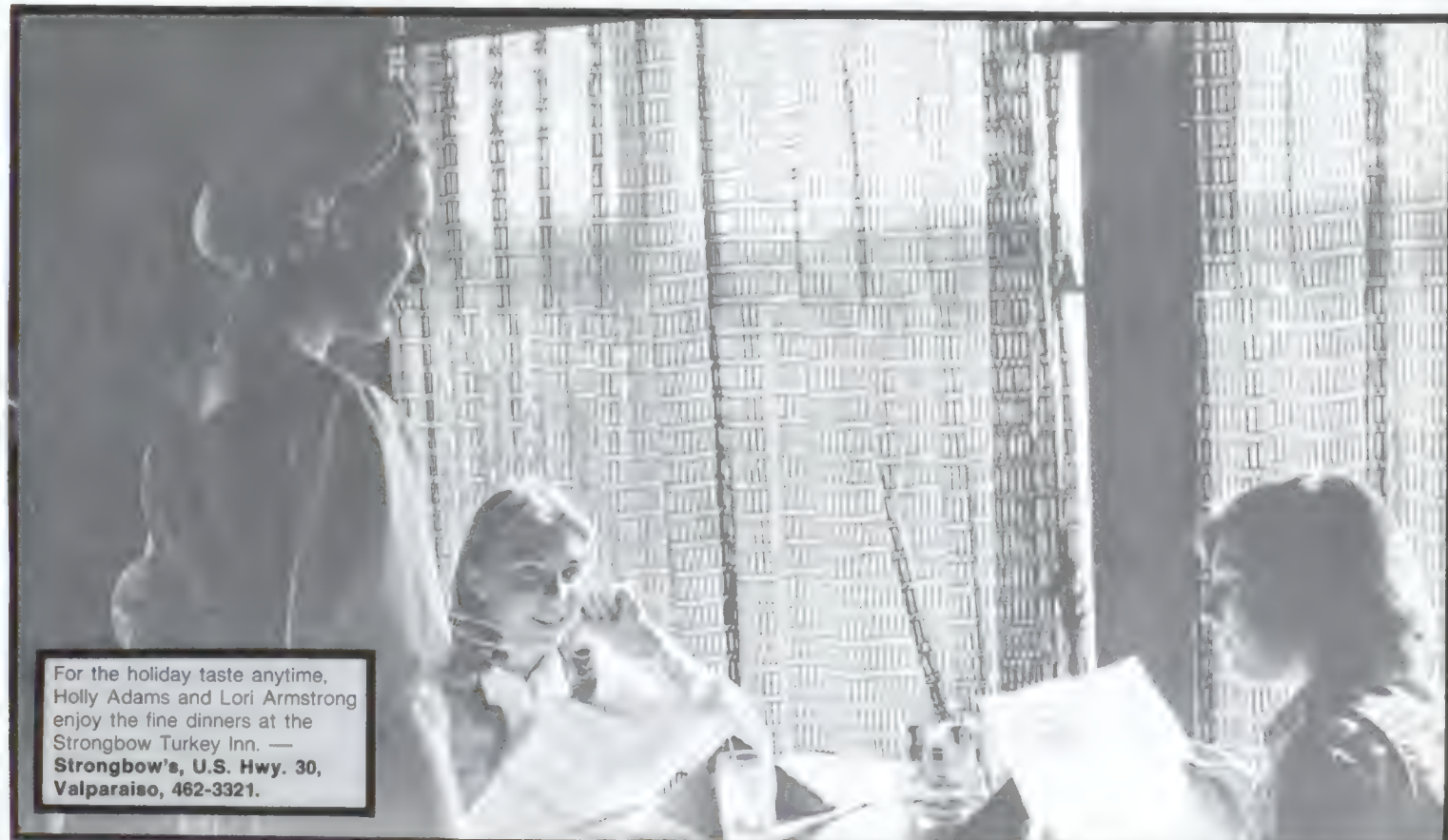
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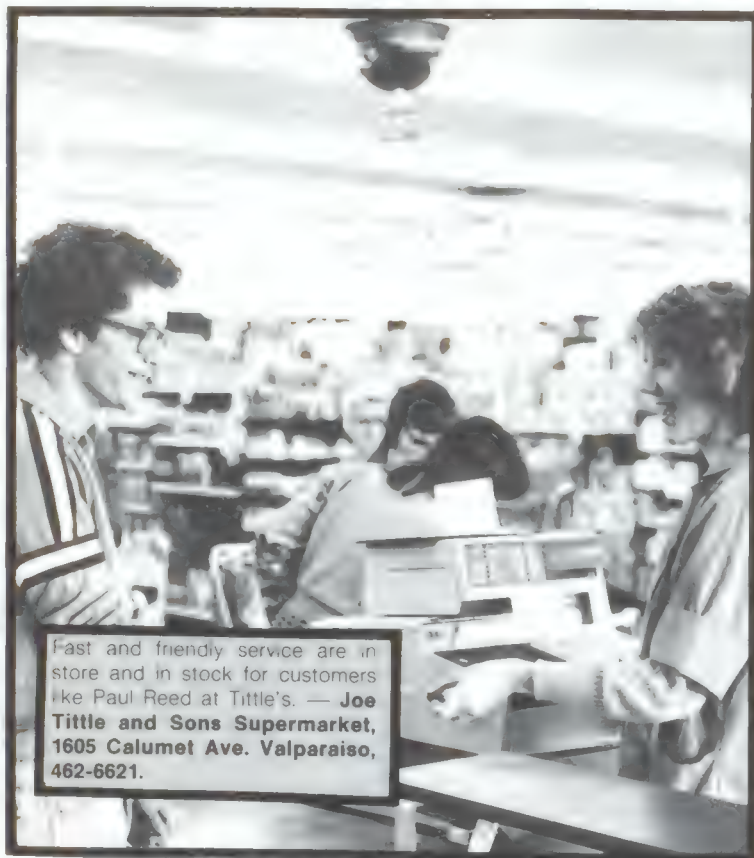
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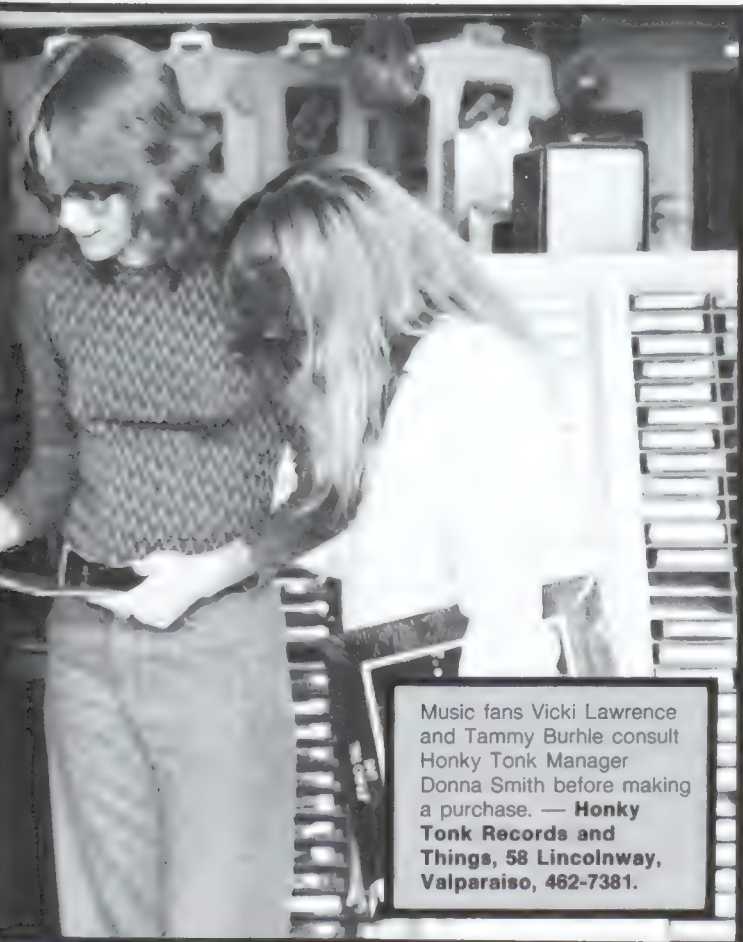
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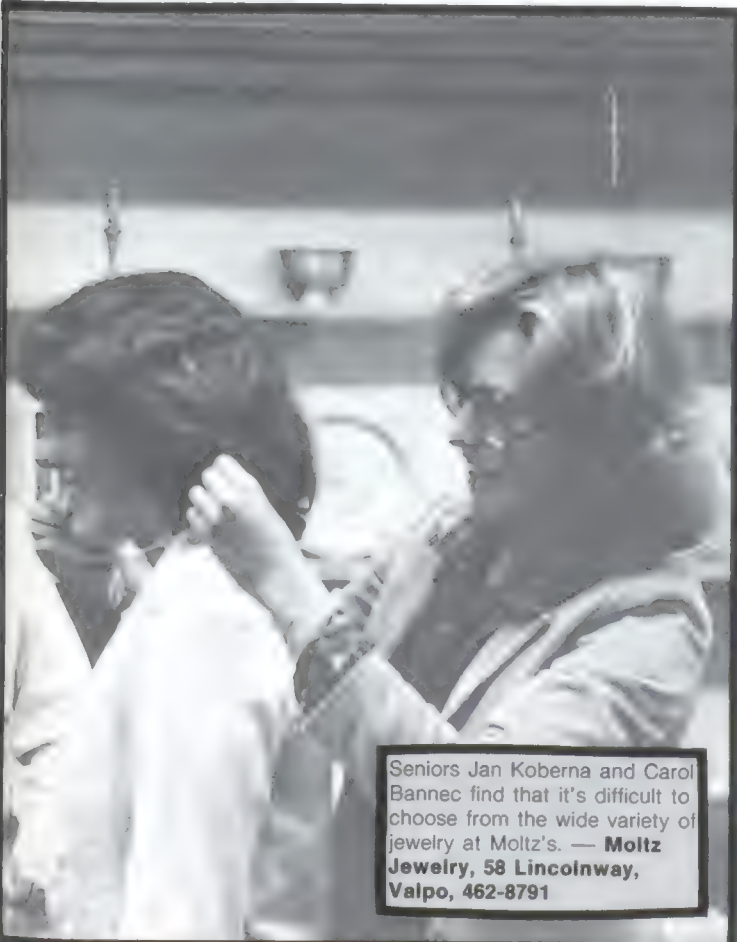
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AUGUST: Pope Paul VI dies in his sleep. Cardinals elect John Paul.

SEPTEMBER: Camp David Summits with Carter, Begin, and Sadat hope to pave way for peace in the Middle East. Pope John Paul installed in Vatican. Ali beats Spinks in rematch. Margaret Mead dies. John Paul I dies after 34 days as pontiff.

OCTOBER: College of Cardinals elects Karol Wojtyla as Pope John Paul II. Yankees beat Dodgers in World Series.

NOVEMBER: 912 dead in Jonestown mass suicide ritual. Sadat and Begin share Nobel Peace Prize.

DECEMBER: Golda Meir dies of cancer at age 78. In Chicago, police arrest John Gacy for the murders of 29

Following two weeks of talks at Camp David, President Anwar Sadat of Egypt, Jimmy Carter, and Prime Minister Menachim Begin of Israel sign the agreements that will hopefully lead to Mideast peace.



WHAT'S NEW—IN A NUT SHELL

bodies that were buried under his house. U.S. officially recognizes Red China, and Taiwan leaves Washington. Time Magazine names Red Chinese vice-premier Teng Hsiao-p'ing "Man of the Year" for his part in opening U.S.-Chinese relations. Cleveland defaults.

JANUARY: Carter invites Nixon to the White House for Teng's visit. Shah of Iran succumbs to revolutionaries and leaves Iran in exile. Prime Minister Bakhtiar forms government.

FEBRUARY: Ayatollah Khomeini assumes power in Iran. Chinese invade Vietnam to "punish it" for border raids. Carter pardons Patty Hearst. Former Commissioner Jane Byrne defeats incumbent machine candidate Michael Bilandic in Chicago's mayoral primary. Nelson Rockefeller dies of a heart attack. Middle East peace talks falter on "Egyptian insincerity". Bee Gees win album of the year Grammy while Billy Joel takes record of the year. Roots II captures huge audience.

MARCH: U.S. celebrates 100th anniversary of Einstein's birth. Three Mile Island radiation scare stirs nuclear controversy.

APRIL: Oscar honors Nam flicks "Coming Home" and "The Deerhunter." Revolution overthrows Idi Amin in Uganda. Gas prices surge toward dollar sign.

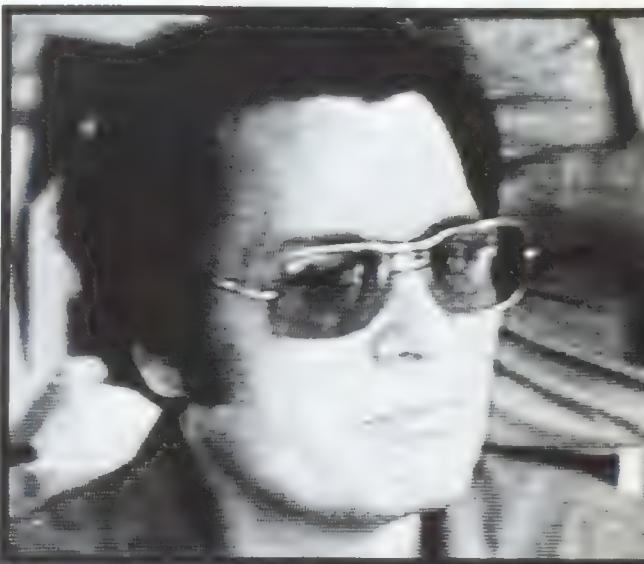
After his losing battle to save his city from default by passing emergency legislation, Cleveland Mayor Dennis Kucinich expresses his displeasure to the city council that failed him.





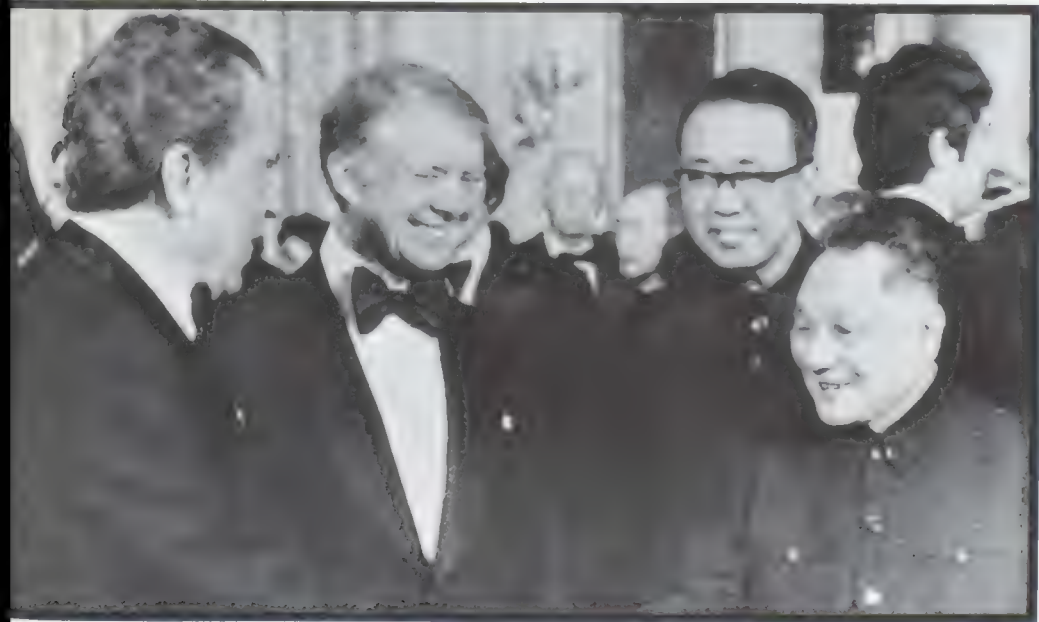
As their people wait for the return of spiritual leader Ayatollah Khomeini, Shah Reza Pahlavi and Empress Farah flee in self-exile to Morocco.

Poland's Cardinal Karol Wojtyla became the second pope in 34 days after John Paul I died. Here Pope John Paul II welcomes Jordan's King Hussein to the Vatican for talks on the Middle East.



The Reverend Jim Jones settled his People's Temple followers in Jonestown, Guyana to live peacefully, but after his men killed Rep. Leo Ryan (D — Cal.) and those with him, he called for a mass suicide in which 912 people died.

In his first visit to the White House since his resignation in 1974, Richard Nixon shakes hands with Jimmy Carter and Chinese vice-premier Teng Hsiao-p'ing, who visited Washington to commence diplomatic relations between the U.S. and China.



Once the twisted wreckage and debris had been cleaned away, workmen were ready to rebuild the fire area.

Steals such as this one by captain Gary Krueger (20) brought the Vikes within seconds of the regional championship. The team of Rob Harden (22) and Gary Krueger was responsible for an amazing 19 steals in the regional games.



After a year of hassles over decor and contractors, the four English rooms that were gutted by the fire opened for second semester classes.



EVEN BETTER. WELL....

Great things might never have happened if mankind had not been content to wait for significant gains in the face of superficial losses. It is staggering to the mind to imagine what would happen if Edward Jenner had given up hope for his smallpox vaccine after his test patient developed a severe case of the illness.

The idea to remember then, is that when looking for improvement, the observer should search deeper than the surface. The man on the street may point to the less-than-spectacular record of our football team and wish for the return of the school's '75 state champions. Yet, he never considers that the members of the team gave their best in all the games, and, therefore, deserve better judgement than that based on their win and loss record.

Students may look at the poor interest in clubs, especially in the Student Council and the Pep Club, and say that clubs are on the decline. They fail to realize however, that despite these overwhelming deficiencies, the members who cared managed to keep the organizations going.

We may not have made waves in sports, but being in one of the fiercest conferences in the state, all of our teams made respectable showings. Both the basketball teams went to the regionals, and each lost to ranked teams. Seven members of the boys' swim team competed in the state finals, and one of them, Craig McCarron, brought home a first place medal in the 100m butterfly. Academics and the arts deserve recognition also for the seven winners of the Regional Art Awards Gold Keyes and the National Merit Scholarship Finalists.

We decided that, since there is always room for improvement, we should look for ways to better our school. Upon looking back, we may not have accomplished our goal completely, but we made an honest effort. In some cases it may take a strong magnifying glass to find any improvement, but as Neil Armstrong's walk on the moon was "one small step for a man," our small gains represent our taking a step in the right direction. It may take a long time, and we may have much more to do, but we can still truthfully say, "We're even better this year."

During the Homecoming Hall Decorating Contest, the juniors display their opinion of Viking power.

AND THE ENVELOPE PLEASE

Contrary to popular belief, yearbooks are not produced entirely by the staff. Since no man is an island, and that includes yearbook staffers, we would like to thank the people who tolerated our presence like the plague throughout the year. We would like to express our appreciation to the Learning Center staff for its patience with our constant problems, the faculty for issuing numerous passes out of class during deadlines, Mr. Bob Henning, our yearbook representative, who tolerated our weird sense of humor and contributed his efforts toward writing headlines, Ball State University Workshops, Mr. John Hudnall for his advice, and of course, while there is still room on the page, Mrs. Gloria Zimmerman, our adviser, who was the catalyst when the going got rough and the resident psychiatrist and booster who raised our spirits when they started to wane.

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